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## Fog delays U.K. attack on Stanley

LONDON, June 4 (Agencies) — Bad weather on the Falkland Islands Friday appeared to be holding up British troops poised to attack the main Argentine garrison in Port Stanley.

For their part, the Argentine forces gave no sign of responding to last-minute British attempts to coax them into surrender.

Defense Ministry spokesman Ian McDonald said the weather was foggy, cold and wet, and a British reporter with the troops said thick mist had reduced visibility to 200 yards.

Government sources said Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher had given British commanders the go-ahead to attack the beleaguered capital whenever they were ready.

"With British forces now poised above the capital, all it needs is for the weather to clear for the final advance to get under way," said the reporter with the troops, Jeremy Hand of Independent Television News (ITN).

Britain tried Thursday to encourage a surrender by dropping thousands of Spanish-language leaflets on Port Stanley, the capital, calling on the troops to give themselves up. Mrs. Thatcher held a 75-minute meeting with her war cabinet Friday before leaving for France to attend the Versailles economic summit.

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## Iran demands \$150b in war reparations

BEIRUT, June 4 (Agencies) — President Ali Khamenei updated Iran's terms for peace with Iraq Friday, demanding \$150 billion in reparations and the trial of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for starting the 20-month-old Gulf war.

Hojaatoslam Khamenei also called for a prompt withdrawal of Iraqi invading forces from Iranian territory still held in Iran's western highlands following their almost total ouster from the southwestern Khouzistan area. Khamenei laid down the conditions in a Friday prayer meeting at Tehran University, reported by Iran's official IRNA news agency and the state-run Tehran radio.

He said Iraq's cross-border shelling of Khorramshahr and Abadan, Iran's main cities on the eastern shore of the disputed Shatt Al-Arab Waterway, should also be halted and all Iraqi refugees deported to Iran during the war should be repatriated.

The figure Khamenei set for the reparations is the most striking aspect of the Iranian conditions. Iranian leaders spoke in terms of \$50 billion before their forces recovered the port city of Khorramshahr and drove the Iraqis back to their border May 24. The updated figure followed Iraq's dispatch of Vice President Tareq Aziz to Moscow for talks with Kremlin leaders on the threat of an Iranian invasion of Iraq, which is linked by a treaty of friendship and cooperation with the Soviet Union, according to Arab diplomatic sources.

Tariq Aziz, who arrived in Moscow Thursday night, was to meet with Soviet officials for what an unofficial Iraqi source said were technical and political talks. The Soviet press made no mention of Aziz's arrival or visit, though he has traveled to the Soviet Union several times since the Iran-Iraq war began.

The Iraqi source did not specify how long this latest visit would last, nor on what level discussions would be held. He said the Middle East situation has been discussed here by Aziz and Soviet officials, but did not elaborate. The Soviet Union has maintained a neutral stance in the Gulf war. Last month, the government newspaper Izvestia again called for a ceasefire between Iran and Iraq.

In Beirut, observers said Aziz would raise the issue of Syria, another of Moscow's Arab allies, which in recent months, has backed up support for Iran in the war with arms supplies. Observers said Aziz would try to urge the Soviets to pressure Syria to tone down both its military and political support for Tehran as well as its virulent campaign against the Baghdad regime.

Beirut-based diplomats, who asked not to be named, said Aziz will invoke on Iraq's behalf the clause in the 1972 treaty that calls for prompt consultations between the two nations on ways to cope with external aggression or the threat of international aggression against either of them.

Iranian leaders have been threatening to send their forces across the border to rout Iraqi artillery positions and then march on Baghdad to overthrow or capture President

Skeletons found near Argentina

LONDON, June 4 (AFP) — A large number of skeletons weighed down by concrete blocks were found at sea off the Argentine coast by a British trawler early this year. The *Guardian* reported Friday.

The report from Washington said a member of the British defense staff there reported the incident — which occurred several weeks before the Falklands crisis — to representatives of the Atlantic alliance. The British Embassy in Washington refused comment, the newspaper said, as did the Defense Ministry questioned here Friday.

According to the *Guardian* report, diplomatic sources in Washington said the staff member who reported the details was the embassy's naval attache, Rear Adm. J.B. Hervey.

Western diplomats said the officer told them the British vessel, on a routine trip, had trouble lifting its anchor and sent down a diver to investigate. The *Guardian* reported.

The sources said Iraq might abrogate the 15-year friendship treaty if Aziz returns once again with empty hands from Moscow.

In Havana, Iraqi Foreign Minister Saadun Hammadi said Thursday Iraq was not interested in holding occupied land in the Gulf war but rather in weakening Iran's military machine. Hammadi, who is attending the nonaligned meeting, told a press conference Iran had lost 40,000 troops in its recent offensive.

The foreign minister said Iraq's prerequisites for peace were respect for frontiers, no interference in internal affairs and peaceful coexistence of governments with different ideologies.



**VERSAILLES SECURITY:** A rifle-carrying soldier stands guard atop steps at the Versailles palace as part of tight security measures for the seven-nation Western summit. An estimated 3,000 French police and military security personnel patrol the grounds and conduct daily searches of the palace's 500 rooms and 500 fireplaces.

### Versailles summit opens

## Leaders to view global woes

VERSAILLES, June 4 (AP) — Leaders of the world's industrialized democracies arrived at the historic palace of Versailles Friday for a summit meeting aimed at reducing tensions in a world troubled by economic woes.

Francois Mitterrand, the Socialist president of France, greeted the heads of state at the red-carpeted marble entrance of the 16th century castle that housed the kings of royal France.

First to arrive was Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens representing the European Economic Community. He was being followed by Italian Prime Minister Giovanni Spadolini, Japanese Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki, Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and U.S. President Ronald Reagan.

They arrived from Paris and surrounding airports by helicopter, landed on the manicured lawn outside the palace and were taken by limousine to the nearby Grand Trianon Palace, where they will stay. A cavalry guard with drawn swords and republican guards with shining gold helmets and swords honored them. Mitterrand was to host a state dinner Friday night. The leaders gathered to discuss economic problems as great as any since they began their summits in 1975. They were searching for an end to high inflation, low economic growth, record unemployment in many of the countries and, most of all, ways of solving the problems in each country without making things worse for their neighbors.

The leaders also were determined to discuss global security and current world crises points like the Falkland Islands, at least in informal meetings. After a 90-minute meeting with Reagan at the U.S. Embassy in Paris, Mrs. Thatcher told reporters the United States was "still very much" on her side in the crisis. But she would not respond directly to questions about possible U.S. pressure to ease up on military action.

Reagan also met separately with Suzuki, and the Japanese leader was scheduled to meet Schmidt, as the traditional round-robin of bilateral meetings began. In comments before the summit it became clear that although the participants agreed on the magnitude of the economic problems facing them, they often had widely different solutions to offer.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan told a news conference the United States wanted a tightening of credits to the Soviet Union, which he termed an "adversary." European countries are against credit restrictions imposed for political reasons.

European participants at the summit want a pledge from the Americans to bring down high interest rates that stifle investment in business and weaken European currencies. The U.S. treasury chief said he knew of nothing the summit leaders could say to change U.S. interest rate policies.

Suzuki came to the summit armed with a recent Japanese decision to lower or eliminate tariffs on 215 separate trade items. The measures responded to longstanding European and U.S. assertions that Japanese markets are too hard to penetrate, but the Europeans said they didn't go far enough and Reagan said he hadn't made up his mind.

Communist splinter groups, meanwhile, announced plans for a demonstration against Reagan on Saturday to denounce American "nuclear warmongering." Trotskyite leader Arlette Laguillier said the demonstration also would serve as a protest against the summit, which she described as "a meeting of the rich who are reducing the world to starvation."

Many of the thousands of police reinforcements brought to the Paris area for the summit were assigned to monitor the demonstration. As part of the elaborate security precautions for the summit meeting itself, police were deployed on the shoulders and overpasses along miles of superhighways linking Versailles and Paris 15 miles (24 kilometers) away.

Mitterrand, Schmidt and Trudeau will press for new efforts to reopen a dialogue with the Third World on aid and trade issues. But Western officials said there was little hope of an early breakthrough. Western relations with developing countries have been stalled since Reagan began advocating self-help rather than large injections of Western aid.

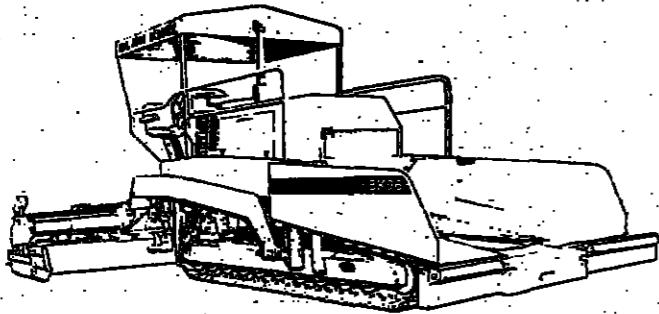
While the summit will be mainly concerned with economics, the government leaders will spend about 10 hours over lunches and dinners aligning policy on the world's trouble spots.

They will discuss prospects for new Western peace moves in the Middle East, hopes for East-West relations now that Reagan had

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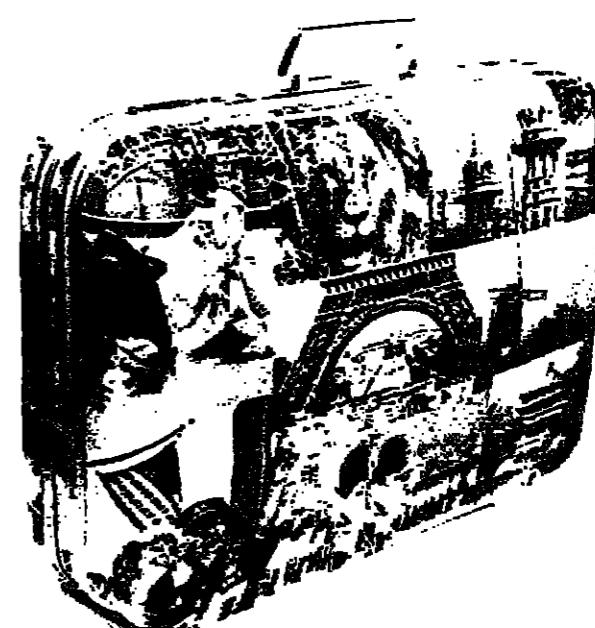
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# Industrial items top list of new licenses

JEDDAH, June 4 — The Ministry of Industry and Electricity issued a total of 2,114 industrial licenses in 1980. Of these, 1,183 were for factories already in operation, 391 for units under implementation and 540 for those that have yet to be implemented.

This week's *Saudi Business* stated that the licenses were issued for a broad range of industrial activity including foodstuffs; beverages and tobacco; textiles; leather and wood products; printing, publishing and manufacture of paper; chemicals, coal; rubber and plastics; porcelain, glass; and building materials.

According to bulletin recently submitted to King Khaled by Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi, the largest number of industrial licenses were issued for the manufacture of building materials, followed by metal products, foodstuffs and chemicals.

*Saudi Business* reported that a study conducted by the Saudi Industrial Development Fund showed that during the second five-year plan, there was an increased accent on the construction industry which, excluding cement, received 41 percent of SIDF funds between 1974 and 1979. Later, funds were diverted to the consumer sector, which recorded a 37 percent increase in SIDF aid against 19 percent previously. The fund's current plans call for infusion of aid to certain promising sectors of the industry such as cement, petrochemicals, building materials, animal feedstocks and farms.

According to the bulletin, the funds committed for the total industrial ventures stood at SR29.86 billion. The firms as a whole employed 31,232 workers. It said the foreign capital share for the non-SABIC producing factories constituted 35 percent of the total finance as against 50 percent for producing SABIC projects and 47 percent of the non-producing SABIC projects. As for sectors, the storage industry accounts for the largest foreign capital share (60 percent of the total finance), followed by other products (52 per-

cent), wood and paper products, printing and publishing (48 percent each), metal industries (42 percent), chemical and foodstuff industries (35 percent each), earthenware, pottery, porcelain, glass (31 percent) and ready-made garments (25 percent).

## BRIEFS

ABU DHABI (SPA) — The President of the United Arab Emirates, Sheikh Zayed Sultan Al-Nahyan, received the Saudi Ambassador here. Saleh Soliman Al-Fawzan, was reported here Friday. During their meeting Thursday night, they discussed relations between the two countries, an official announcement said. It gave no other details.

GENEVA (SPA) — Saudi ambassadors in Europe ended three-day conference here Friday, chaired by the head of the Kingdom's U.N. delegation. The meeting discussed several items, including Saudi Arabia's relations with Europe. The outcome of deliberations has been referred to Prince Saud Al-Faisal, the foreign minister.

RIYADH — The Directorate General of Traffic has extended the period of changing the old number plates, with an odd number, to another three months for Jeddah and Riyadh. *Al-Jazirah* daily said Friday that the changing of plates in other parts of the Kingdom will continue according to the previous announcement.

JEDDAH — The Municipality of Jeddah has recently received 180 rare saplings and seeds of decorative plants from the Municipality of Taipei. The municipality had earlier received several animals and birds for its zoological park from the municipality of the Nationalist Chinese capital, *Al-Jazirah* reported Friday.

MAKKAH (SPA) — A thesis for the Master's Degree, submitted by Matar Ahmad Al-Zahrani on "Imam ibn Kathayr Al-Mufassir" will be examined at the Ummul Qura University here Tuesday. The examining committee consists of Dr. Muhammad Al-Rawi, head of the department of Tafsir (commentary on the Holy Quran), at Imam Muhammad ibn Saud Islamic University; Dr. Ismail Al-Daftari, professor at the department of higher studies, Ummul Qura University; and Ahmad Saqr, also professor at the same department and the research scholar's guide.

JEDDAH — The Science Institute of Jeddah will graduate 20 students this year, of whom 17 were regular students and three studied privately. According to *Okaz* daily, the institute's director has said that applications for admission will be entertained immediately after the publication of the results of the primary stage schools.

## Prayer Times

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| Fajr (Dawn)      | 4:13   | 4:07    | 3:38   | 3:21   | 3:46     | 4:11  |
| Dhuhr (Noon)     | 12:19  | 12:20   | 11:51  | 11:38  | 12:02    | 12:32 |
| Asr (Afternoon)  | 3:37   | 3:41    | 3:13   | 3:05   | 3:29     | 4:04  |
| Maghreb (Sunset) | 7:02   | 7:09    | 6:40   | 6:31   | 6:55     | 7:29  |
| Isha (Night)     | 8:32   | 8:39    | 8:10   | 8:01   | 8:25     | 8:59  |

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### Fog delays

The sources said the meeting included a review of the latest United Nations efforts to secure a ceasefire. These, however, were thought to have scant chance of success, they said. Reporter Hands said bad weather had delayed the transport of supplies to frontline troops. Troops have been established for three days on strategic heights around the capital, including the 1,500-foot (500-meter) Mount Kent, awaiting the order to attack.

Hands said British commanders were resigned to a bloody battle after the Argentine commander in Port Stanley, General Mario Menendez, issued a statement calling on the garrison to fight to the last man.

Mrs. Thatcher met President Reagan in Paris Friday, and U.S. officials said the president was expected to urge her to hold back and give Argentina a final chance to withdraw. They said the U.S. view was that Britain

### Israeli

was fired at a member of the police special branch as the assailant fled. The officer returned fire, striking the man in the neck, police said.

Press Association, Britain's domestic news agency, said the alleged gunman and at least two of the other men in custody were Palestinians carrying false passports. Police declined comment on the report. No group claimed responsibility for the attack, and Scotland Yard did not immediately identify those in custody.

The man shot by police was in intensive care at a hospital but was expected to recover, officials said. Two men seen near the hotel in London's West End district were arrested after their car was stopped by police.

Press Association reported without attribution that police seized false passports from the three men. It said the passports listed nationalities of two of the men as Jordanian and the other as Iraqi.

Police arrested a fourth man, described in press reports in London as a Syrian. Friday, Scotland Yard said officers seized a Polish-made 9mm rapid-fire pistol, two Italian-

should try to show magnanimity in any eventual victory or risk a deep rift with Latin America. Mrs. Thatcher, whose popularity in Britain is soaring according to opinion polls, has said magnanimity would amount to treachery.

In Buenos Aires, President Leopoldo Galtieri summoned Argentina's generals for a briefing at army headquarters as military sources said the final battle for the Falkland Islands could begin Friday night.

The official news agency Telam said all the country's generals not on duty in the south attended the meeting, shortly after a presidential aide was quoted as saying Argentina wanted peace but would not leave the islands.

Press reports said Brigadier General Jose Miret, secretary for planning, told a radio interviewer in New York that Argentina would gladly accept a ceasefire but without withdrawing its troops.

They said the U.S. view was that Britain

made Birella handguns, a large store of ammunition and hand grenades.

In Tel Aviv, Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir condemned the shooting of the ambassador. "We are convinced the British authorities will conduct a thorough inquiry and will take all steps needed so that those involved in this attack will be duly punished in order to prevent such attacks in the future," he said.

### Leaders

agreed to hold strategic arms talks with Moscow, and the situation in Poland, Afghanistan and southern Africa.

Reagan's softer tone on detente and his readiness to meet Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev later this year have helped reduce trans-Atlantic strains after months of squabbling between Washington and some West European capitals.

In Paris, a high-ranking French government official has criticized Reagan's call for Western restrictions on subsidized trade credits to the Soviet Union, saying Reagan had a "one-sided obsession" with the issue.

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Hadeed's major ownership goes to the Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC), with participation from Kurf Schall of Germany and the German Development Organization.

In a recent report, Hadeed gave details about the progress of work on the plant's installations, saying that more than 62 percent of the overall work has been completed by now. The SR2.4 billion plant will produce reinforced rolling rods and bars, from which the production of wires, nails, nets, cross-beams and other similar items will be made for local consumption. The pre-operation cost, which includes training expenses and

### Saudi paper raps Qaddafi

RIYADH, June 4 (SPA) — A Saudi newspaper Friday launched a strong attack on Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qaddafi, describing him as "a tool of international communism."

Al-Madinah of Jeddah said that Qaddafi has failed in all spheres. "What Libya's colonel has done is considered the best example of failure in achieving security, prosperity and stability for the people," it added.

It said Qaddafi "has turned into a tool of international communism, opposing whoever Moscow opposes and befriending whoever the Moscow axis befriends. He has sold Libya's sovereignty, riches and people to serve the evil aims of international communism." It is natural for African countries to refuse to gather in Libya for the next African summit, the paper added.

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**EXHIBITION:** Mayor of Jeddah Muhammad Saeed Farisi opened an exhibition of Sudanese artists at the Redec Plaza Thursday. The exhibits consisted of a rich collection of paintings by Abdal Saleh Abdul Sayed and Mustafa Abu Salih, two well-known artists of Sudan. The exhibition, organized by the Sudanese Embassy in Jeddah, was attended, among others, by the Sudanese ambassador to the Kingdom and the cultural counselor at the Sudanese Embassy. The picture (above) represents one of the masterpieces of Abdal Sayed.

### Ministry official says

## Exports to GCC states rise

JEDDAH, June 4 — The Kingdom's trade with the Arabian Gulf states recorded a sharp rise last year. The growth is significant in the light of the Gulf Cooperation Council's efforts to promote trade among its member states.

The latest issue of *Saudi Business* quoted Saleh Al-Shibani, director of the foreign trade department at the Commerce Ministry, as saying that the Kingdom's exports to Kuwait reached SR64 million last year, as against SR121 million in 1979. Exports to Bahrain stood at SR9.1 billion last year, while the figure reached only SR7.1 billion in 1980 and SR4.5 billion the year before. Exports to Oman remained at SR66 million last year, recovering from SR51 million in 1980, which was down from SR67 million the year before.

A similar pattern of growth was seen in Saudi Arabia's trade with Qatar. Exports climbed from SR68 million in 1979 to SR82 million last year, after sliding down to SR55 million the year before. By contrast, imports demonstrated a relatively slower growth from SR235 million in 1979 to SR211 million in 1980 and SR258 million last year.

According to Shabani, most of the King-

dom's exports are in fact re-exports. This is due to the fact that taxes in the Kingdom are lower than anywhere else in the Gulf region. He said the Kingdom's exports to Kuwait include watermelon, gypsum, gasoline, propane, urea, electric generators, cars, cranes, salt and tires. Imports from Kuwait include wall paint, steel furniture, stationery, garments for women and children, pipes, kitchen and utensils.

Saudi Arabia's exports to the United Arab Emirates mainly consist of candy, beverages, diesel oil, pipes, cranes, trucks and cars. Imports cover fish, grains, mineral water, lubricating oil, lotions, cement, chemicals, wooden doors and windows and jewelry. As for Bahrain, the Kingdom's exports to this island country include bananas, oil products, dates, oranges, watermelon, cars, pipes and automobile spare parts. Cement, pipes, toilet paper, jewelry and aluminum windows are among the imports.

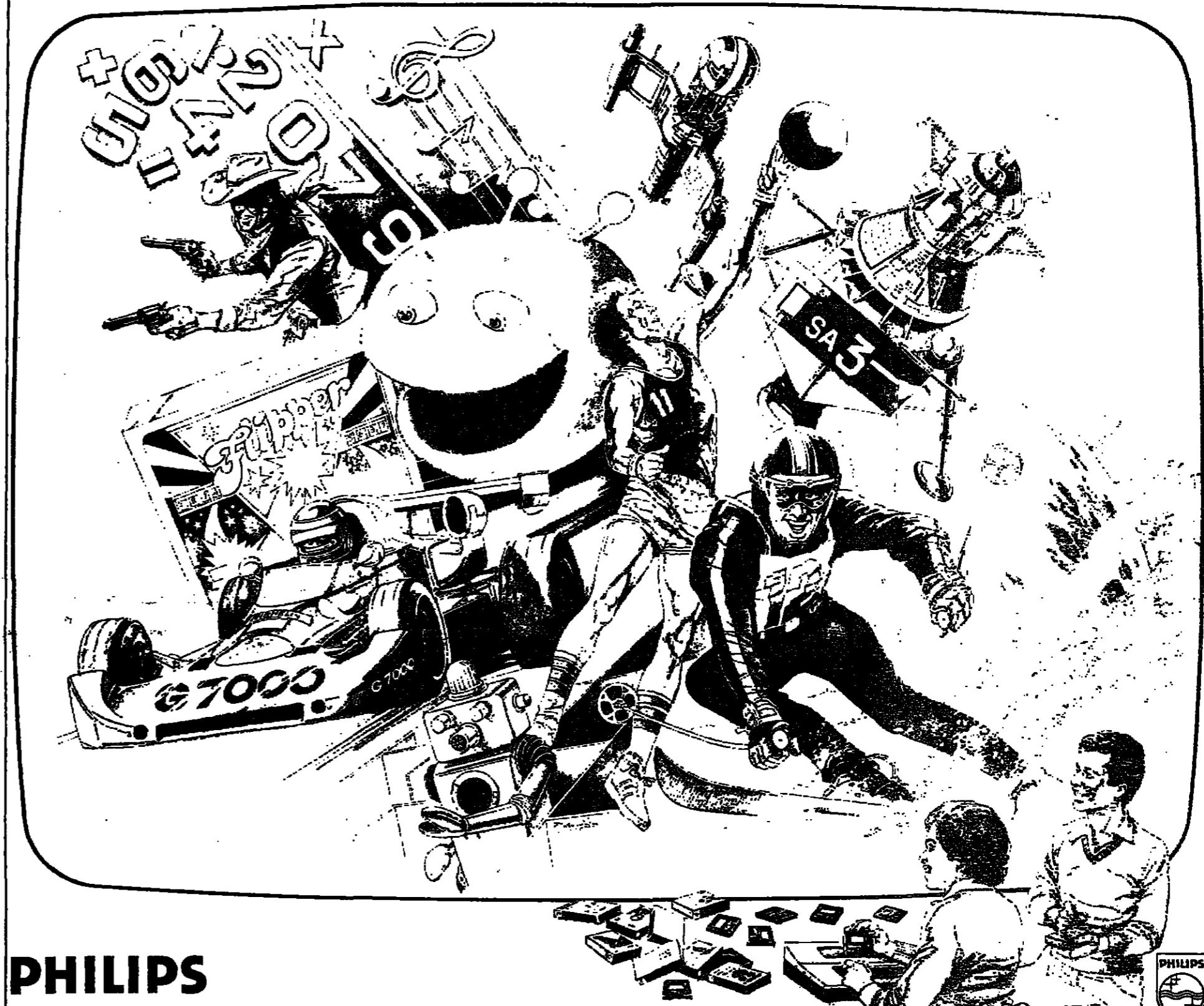
Meanwhile, there was an unfavorable balance of trade with the UAE and Qatar. Exports to the UAE stood at SR280 million last year against imports of SR320 million, the magazine reported.

## IDB president to open session on coordination

JEDDAH, June 4 — President of the Islamic Development Bank Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali opens the 14th session for coordination between the Arab regional national development organizations and the IDB. *Otaaz* daily reported Friday.

The two-day conference, to be held at the IDB headquarters here, will discuss how best the data could be exchanged on the financing of the new projects in which these national development organizations take part. It will also hold consultations on those projects which are still under implementation, and strive to achieve a coordinated stance among these organizations with a view to preparing for a meeting with the representatives of the European Economic Community (EEC); the Economic Cooperation and Development Organization and the International Association of Consultants.

The deliberations will be attended by representatives from the Abu Dhabi Reconstruction Fund; OPEC Fund for Arab Development; Saudi Fund for Economic Development; the Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (Badea); and the Arab Company for Foreign Investments.



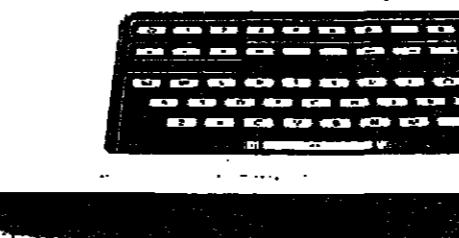
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# Genscher supports Palestinian cause

TEL AVIV, June 4 (AP) — Ignoring an Israeli appeal against "interfering" with the Mideast peace process, West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said Thursday the Palestinians should be granted self-determination in a Mideast peace settlement.

But Genscher told a news conference after a hectic day of talks that "self-determination has to be decided and agreed upon by all concerned," and that self-determination "must not impede the legitimate rights of others." Prime Minister Menahem Begin, in an earlier meeting, told the visiting German leader that European calls for self-determination "are not helpful and only interfere with the current peace process," Begin's spokesman Uri Porat said.

Porat quoted Begin as urging Genscher to "be careful" about issuing statements and declarations that could impede peace. Israel maintains that self-determination is a code phrase for Palestinian independence, and claims that any Palestinian state would threaten Israel's very existence.

Genscher stressed that while Europe is a set of principles toward a Mideast settlement, it was up to Israel and the Arabs to

work out their own agreements without European help. He was alluding to Israeli fears voiced after the European Economic Community proposed its Venice Declaration on the Mideast in 1980 that the EEC might try to impose a peace settlement on Israel.

The Israelis are trying to persuade Europe to abandon the Venice document which calls for self-determination and a role for the Palestine Liberation Organization in the peace talks. Instead, Israel is seeking Europe's endorsement of the U.S.-sponsored Camp David accords. But Genscher refrained from an outright endorsement of the Camp David accords.

Shamir criticized EEC support for the principle of Palestinian self-determination. During a three-hour meeting Thursday morning, Shamir asked West Germany to provide diplomatic and economic aid for Israel and Egypt in support of the Camp David agreements, an Israeli spokesman said.

Shamir said he wanted European support "to show public opinion in Egypt and Israel, by concrete economic measures and not solely with words, that it is worth the effort to achieve peace between these two countries."

## Israelis doubt right of occupation

TEL AVIV, June 4 (AP) — For 15 years, many Israelis were made to believe their country's occupation of Arab land was of the most liberal and humane in history. But the new wave of violence in the West Bank and Gaza Strip has cracked that belief.

At least 15 Arabs and two Israeli soldiers have been killed this year and hundreds have been wounded in clashes sparked by Israeli attempts to stamp out Palestinian nationalism in the occupied territories. With every Israeli attempt to suppress the Palestinian nationalism, their patriotic fervor is getting louder and harder for the government to ignore.

A young soldier made a lot of Israelis uncomfortable as they watched their TV sets the other night. The camera, filming a talk between a commander and his troops after riot duty in the West Bank, seemed to hit main nerve of the dilemma as it focused on

## 8 Yugoslavs kidnapped from Iraq

BELGRADE, June 4 (R) — Eight Yugoslavs working in Iraq have been kidnapped, by armed men, the foreign ministry said Thursday.

They were taken by force from their camp in northern Iraq last Thursday, where they were installing equipment for a cement factory near the town of Sulaymaniyah, the statement said. Sulaymaniyah is in the Kurdish area near the Iranian border.

The statement did not identify the kidnappers, but it said there had been similar incidents involving Yugoslav workers, as well as Britons, West Germans, Poles and other nationalities. Diplomats said this suggested the kidnappers were probably from Kurdish

tribes in the area, who have long had strained relations with the Iraqi government.

"All necessary measures were undertaken to free the kidnapped Yugoslavs," as well as to tighten security at sites in Iraq where Yugoslavs were working, the statement added. More than 10,000 Yugoslavs work on various projects in Iraq, worth \$4.5 billion in all, including dams, irrigation systems, power transmission lines, houses and flats, factories and some military installations.

Last year, Yugoslav firms completed construction works in Iraq worth more than \$500 million while trade between the two countries reached \$1 billion.

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## Habib arrives in Beirut

BEIRUT, June 4 (AFP) — United States special Mideast envoy Philip Habib arrived here Friday on the first of his fifth Middle East shuffle.

President Ronald Reagan's special representative will spend just over 24 hours in Lebanon before going to Syria, and then to Israel. He will return to Beirut for further talks with Lebanese leaders before going on to Saudi Arabia and Jordan, reliable sources said.

Habib's Middle East tour follows one by deputy U.S. Secretary of State Morris Draper. Habib was last in the area in November when he visited Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Israel. The aim of that trip was to consolidate last July's ceasefire between Israel and the Palestinians in South Lebanon.

## Kuwait awaits South Yemen explanation

KUWAIT, June 4 (Agencies) — Kuwait hoped Friday to surmount the snags that stand in the way of talks between South Yemen and Oman. The talks which were to start Friday have been called off as South Yemen backed out Thursday.

Kuwait's Foreign Minister Sheikh Ahmad Al-Sabah, who was trying to mediate in the dispute, described South Yemen's position as surprising and said he was awaiting an explanation. He hoped the difficulties would be overcome "as all parties are anxious to maintain security and tranquility in this region."

Kuwait was acting on behalf of the Gulf Cooperation Council consisting of Saudi Arabia, Oman, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Qatar.

The commander replied that military regulations barred him from discussing politics. But he agreed that "it's not a nice feeling for any man in uniform to have to fight youngsters."

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## Protesting maltreatment 2,000 Turkish prisoners remain on fast for 2 weeks

ISTANBUL, June 4 (R) — Some 2,000 inmates at Istanbul's Metris military prison have been on hunger strike for more than two weeks in protest at bad conditions and maltreatment, informed sources said Thursday.

The protesters were complaining of not being able to see relatives or lawyers and letters smuggled out of the prison contained allegations of beatings, the sources said. A number of concerned relatives of the hunger strikers were involved in violent clashes with security forces outside the prison recently, they said. They added that relatives of the protesters had presented a petition to the office of the head of state, Gen. Kenan Evren, in Ankara earlier this week. There were no more details and so far there has been no official word of the protests.

Since the military coup in September 1980, the government has admitted that 15 persons have been tortured to death in Turkish jails and has started investigations into some 300 other cases of alleged torture.

CAIRO, June 4 (R) — Three thousand persons have been detained under Egypt's emergency regulations. Interior Minister Hassan Abu Basha, said in an interview published in the semi-official daily *Al-Ahram* Thrusday.

A one-year state of emergency was declared after President Anwar Sadat's assassination last October. Abu Basha told the newspaper that the detainees were all members of clandestine terrorist organizations.

The minister said the figure did not include members of an extremist group called Al-Jihad (holy struggle). He did not say how many members of this group had been

But it said in a major security review published last month said that torture was being stopped and would not be tolerated and that force would not be used in prisons. Metris is one of the biggest jails in Turkey and contains many political prisoners arrested for their activities before the coup, when up to 25 persons were dying daily in political violence.

Meanwhile in Ankara, Turkish military authorities Friday adjourned until June 18, the trial of former Social Democratic Premier Bulent Ecevit who is accused of flouting a decree banning "controversial political statements" to the foreign press. Ecevit was in court Friday in connection with a statement in English he sent to the West German newspaper *Der Spiegel*. At a first hearing April 29, Ecevit said his statement had been mistranslated into Turkish. Friday no official translation had yet been received by the courts. Ecevit was released Thursday after spending 34 days in prison after being cleared of suspicion that he gave an interview to the Norwegian daily *Arbeiderbladet*.

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## Pakistan denies providing camps for Afghan rebels

KARACHI, June 4 (AFP) — Pakistani President Muhammad Zia Ul-Haq has denied the existence in the country of military training camps for Afghan rebels fighting the Soviet-backed government in Afghanistan.

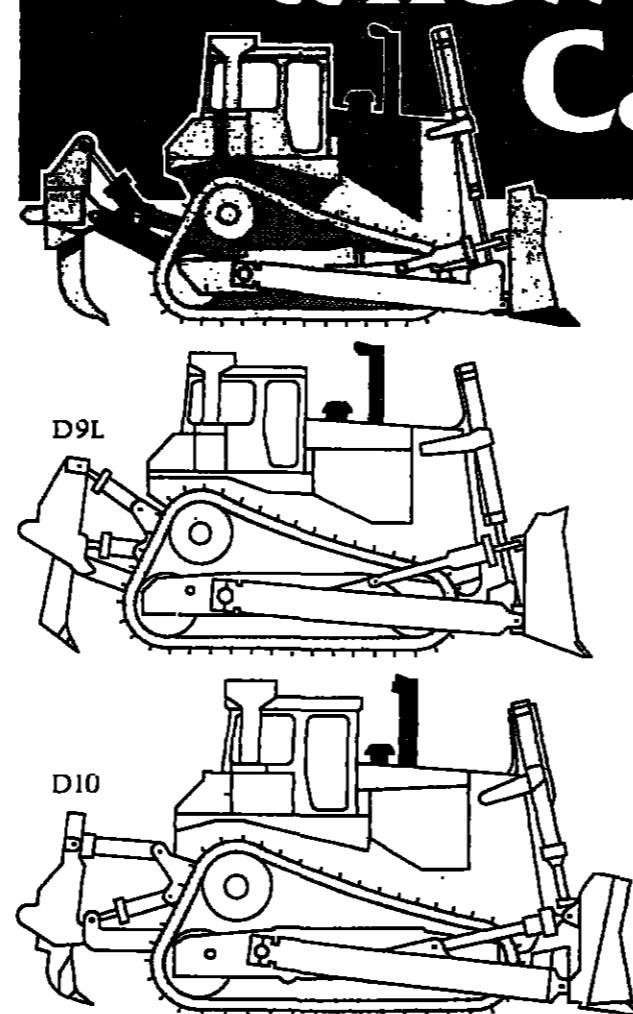
Talking to press here before his departure for Jeddah to join the Organization of Islamic Conference peace mission on the Iran-Iraq conflict, the president said that Pakistan had invited the Soviet government to prove the existence of such camps and identify their location. He added that Pakistan was still waiting for a Soviet reply.

He strongly denied an allegation by the Soviet ambassador in Islamabad recently that there are 82 camps in Pakistan where Afghan saboteurs were being trained for subversive activities in Afghanistan.

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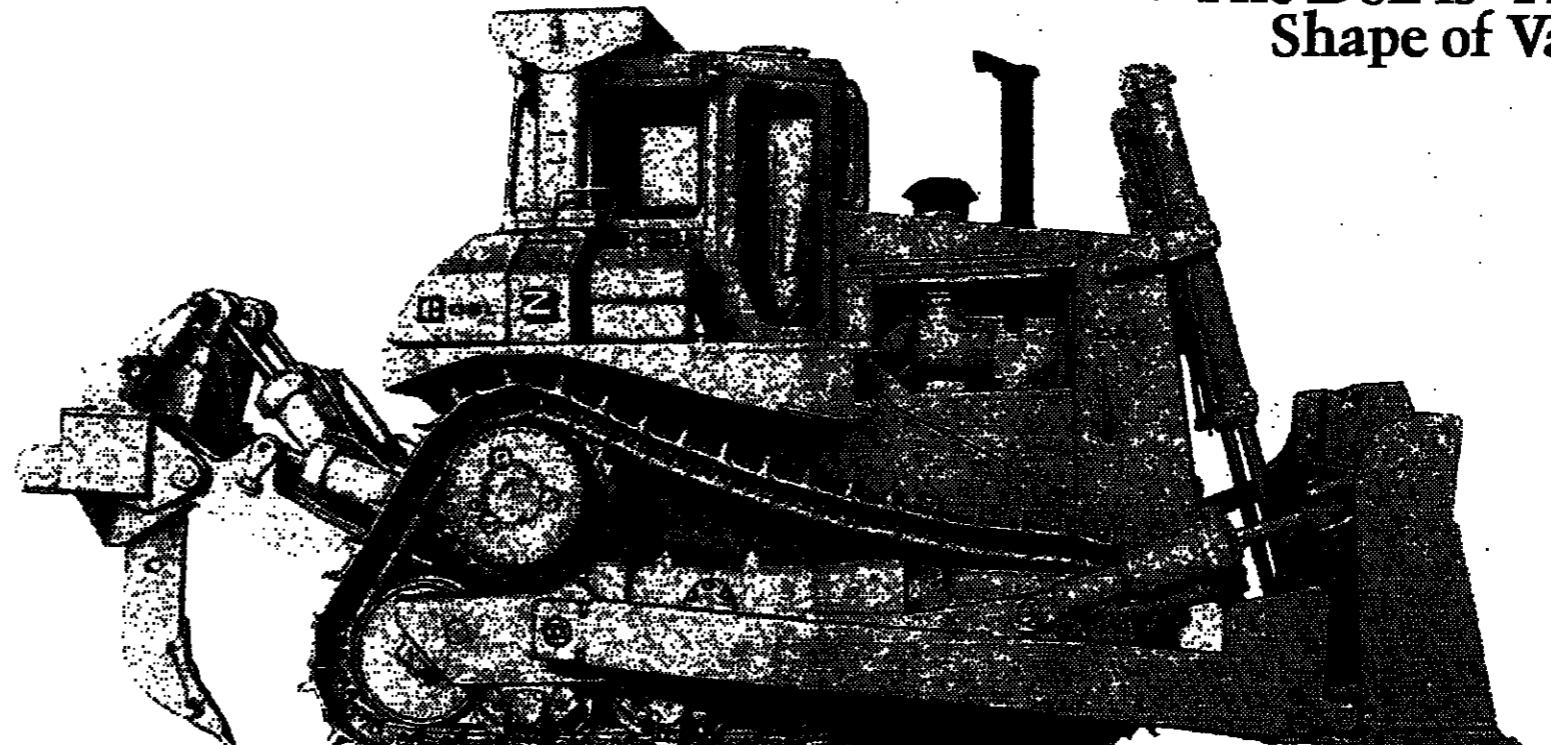


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## TRAGIC SCENARIO

Each time an Israeli is attacked abroad or an Israeli soldier is injured in a landmine incident inside Lebanon, Israeli warplanes attack Palestinian and Lebanese positions inside Lebanon blaming them for the injury.

This pathetic scenario, which is also tragic to the scores of Palestinians and Lebanese who get killed, wounded and rendered homeless in the merciless raids, has been going on for quite some time now. It is both a mark of Arab weakness to stop the carnage and the humiliation and of growing Israeli arrogance which aims at blaming the Palestinians for all the ills of the Zionist state even if an Israeli is injured in a blast at the end of the world.

In the latest incident in which the Israeli ambassador in London was shot at and wounded ostensibly by Arabs, Israel has sent wave after wave of the latest American-made warplanes to bombard the refugee camps of the Palestinians who had been made homeless by Israel and its allies over 30 years ago. Each time they are raided and their slums devastated they become refugees all over again seeking help and cover with neighbors whose slums had been spared the orgy of death and destruction.

The Palestinian plight has perhaps no parallel in the present day world. They have been expelled from their homeland and prevented by all possible means from returning or from setting up their own little homeland on a piece of their own land. Their adversary is made increasingly powerful and therefore increasingly obdurate by the absolute support of the United States and by the absence of a ray of hope that their nightmare may some day end.

They thus have been fated to suffer silently frustrated by the restrictions made on them to fight back and hurt their enemy.

At the same time, the world looks askance at their tragedy and the U.N. stands paralyzed fully unable to punish a member state which goes all out to devastate another member state for an isolated incident which takes place in the territory of a third member state.

## Saudi Arabian press review

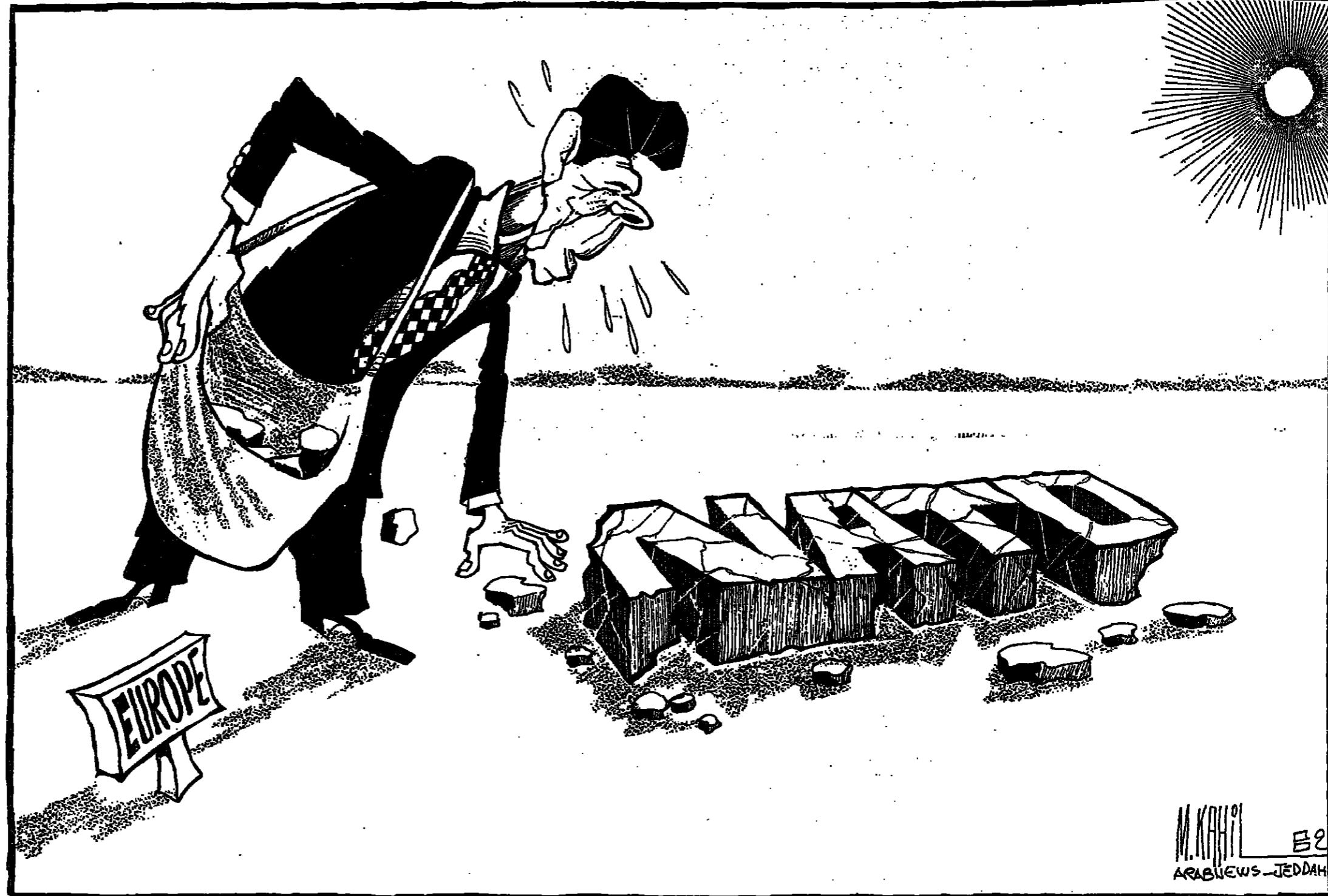
Friday's newspapers called on both Iran and Iraq to accept the Islamic mediation efforts to end the 20-month old war between them and urged Britain to teach Israel a lesson because of the latter's military support for Argentina.

*Oka* called on Iraq and Iran to pave the way for the establishment of peace and accept the goodwill efforts undertaken by the Islamic Peace Committee.

"Such a stand would deny foreigners the opportunity of infiltrating Islamic ranks," it said. The paper noted that despite the difference in language and color and the diversity of their homelands Muslims constituted a single nation.

"In the light of the current developments of the Iraqi-Iranian war, the two states should announce in advance their acceptance of the Islamic mediation and their determination to facilitate the committee's peace task entrusted to it by the whole Islamic nation. The latest developments endangered the peace, security and stability in the Gulf," it added.

*Oka* affirmed, however, that maintaining stability in the region was the sole responsibility of the Gulf states and there should be no foreign interference.



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## British cabinet split on Falklands options

By Harvey Morris

### LONDON —

The British cabinet, anticipating the defeat of Argentine forces in the Falkland Islands, is already debating the long-term future of the South Atlantic colony, according to political sources. They said public reaction to the loss of British lives in the present conflict, external pressure for a once-and-for-all settlement of the Anglo-Argentine dispute and Britain's defense commitment were among factors likely to influence the outcome of the debate.

The sources said British ministers appeared divided over two broad options — either to develop the sparsely-populated archipelago and end its dependence on the Argentine mainland or else to seek a settlement that would make some gesture toward Argentina's claims.

Mrs. Thatcher, in a broadcast interview Wednesday, said she saw no sovereignty for Argentina in the Falklands once Britain succeeded in evicting its troops from the islands.

She also revealed she was asking for an updated report on the possibilities for developing the islands, which currently depend almost exclusively on exports of wool. Mrs. Thatcher said she had asked Labor Peer Lord Shackleton to review a study on the islands he undertook in 1976 in which he concluded there was great potential for the exploitation of fish protein, oil and gas reserves around the islands.

Successive British governments have declined to act on the findings of the Shackleton report pending a settlement of the sovereignty dispute with Argentina.

Britain has at the same time moved to prevent Argentina developing the islands' *see wealth*. The present government last year threatened international oil companies with legal action if they took up Argentine tenders to drill oil in the disputed waters.

In his 1976 report Lord Shackleton cautioned that the islands' resources could remain untapped unless Britain got the cooperation of the Argentines.

Among arguments raised in Buenos Aires to attack Mrs. Thatcher's decision to send a task force to retake the islands is the claim that she and her predecessors paid little attention to them before they were seized last April 2. Argentine commentators have noted that Argentina guaranteed the islands' air links with the outside world and also supplied them with oil. They also allege the islanders suffer a feudal relationship with the British-owned Falkland Islands Company.

Mrs. Thatcher's domestic critics say she would have to turn the islands into what one described as "fortress, Falklands" if she wanted to develop them without Argentine cooperation. "We have to accept that Argentina has proved it is prepared to use force over the islands and could do so again. They can always replace their air force if necessary and make the islands permanently vulnerable," one official said.

Mrs. Thatcher nevertheless believes the British public would react against anything being handed to the Argentines. "It would be treachery or betrayal of our own people," she said Wednesday.

Latest opinion polls in Britain show popular backing for Mrs. Thatcher's handling of the crisis and officials say she may be right in thinking the public would resent any concessions to Argentina after British lives have been lost. Voices are nevertheless being raised in the cabinet in favor of less radical options for the islands, the political sources say.

They believe Foreign Secretary Francis Pym is concerned at possible adverse international reaction if Britain decides to take and hold the islands without giving Argentina a role there.

Officials noted privately that Britain won early support at the United Nations on the basis, not only of securing an Argentine withdrawal and an end to hostilities, but also of starting negotiations toward a diplomatic solution of the dispute. "Some people are worried that Mrs. Thatcher is losing sight of the terms of (U.N. resolution) 502 when she talks about developing the islands," one official said. (R)

## West German politicians quarrel over NATO nuclear strategy

By Chris Catlin

### BONN —

While a NATO summit looms on the Bonn horizon, West German politicians are trading shots in a new debate that goes to the heart of Western nuclear doctrine. The question fascinating government and opposition arms experts is whether NATO ought not to rethink its established reliance on a "flexible response" to any offensive by the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact.

Reduced to basics, the aim is to keep Moscow guessing as to just how NATO might react. NATO strategists say that means retaining a Western option of being the first to use nuclear weapons in order to nullify Warsaw Pact superiority in troops and tanks.

But now, despite strong West German interest in presenting a united NATO front at the June 10 meeting, politicians on both sides of Bonn's political divide are suggesting the whole idea of flexible response may be out of date. The debate dovetails into the controversy here over plans to deploy new U.S. medium-range nuclear missiles in Europe.

But this time the West Germans took their cue from a group of prominent former U.S. officials who urged Western countries in April to renounce the first use of nuclear weapons and focus on

stronger conventional forces.

The initiative received extra publicity when one of the group, veteran diplomat George F. Kennan, won the West German Book Trade's 1982 peace prize for his stand against "the irrationality of the arms race."

Known in NATO jargon by the sinister-sounding acronym "NO FUN", the idea builds on Soviet proposals last year for an international pact barring the first use of nuclear weapons. Whatever NATO officials may say about an open invitation to Soviet aggression, a growing list of West German politicians seem drawn to the "NO FUN" philosophy.

Outright support came from a panel of security experts set up by the Free Democratic Party (FDP), junior partners in Bonn's left-liberal coalition. The group, headed by FDP defense spokesman Juergen Moellermann, also urged unilateral cuts in the Western armory of tactical nuclear weapons and the creation of a European nuclear-free zone.

A similar line was taken by front-rank politicians in Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's Social Democratic Party (SPD). Horst Ehmke, deputy SPD floor leader, has linked his name to an appeal by U.S. Democratic Senator Sam Nunn for NATO to curb its reliance on the early use of nuclear arms.

The leading SPD disarmament expert, Egon

Bahr, contributed a call for the withdrawal of nuclear weapons from all European countries which did not possess such arms of their own. Apparently in tune with his American colleagues, Bahr said this would presuppose parity in conventional forces. Even the Christian Democratic opposition (CDU), which has often accused the government of undermining NATO unity, has been caught up in the discussion.

The front formed by advocates of a "new strategy" cuts clean across party lines and faces an equally unlikely alliance of old-style "flexible response" supporters. Among them are SPD Defense Minister Hans Apel and right-wing Bavarian Premier Franz Josef Strauss, who, in a rare show of unity, have both argued that the cost of boosting Western conventional forces would be astronomical.

Apel, whose views probably tally with Chancellor Schmidt's, told an interviewer that "NO FUN"

would force West Germany to accommodate two million troops on its soil instead of the present 800,000. The claim was apparently based on Western estimates that 84 NATO divisions and 13,000 battle tanks in Europe are pitted against 173 Warsaw Pact divisions and 42,500 tanks.

"We cannot get rid of the nuclear element. What we must do is to bring it under control," Apel said.

How far the discussion could influence West German or NATO policy is hard to predict. But NATO diplomats in Bonn are sure the "NO FUN" issue will not easily die away, no matter whether the Bonn summit leaves "flexible response" untouched. "The public has never understood flexible response and the intellectuals do not support it," one envoy commented.

And, unlike opponents of NATO missile plans in Europe, "NO FUN" advocates can easily dismiss charges of anti-Americanism — by pointing to their mentors on the other side of the Atlantic.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, June 5th, the 156th day of 1982. There are 209 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1716 — Treaty of Westminster is signed between England and Roman Empire for mutual defense.

1806 — Louis Bonaparte becomes king of Holland.

1873 — Under British pressure, sultan of Zanzibar abolishes slave markets and export of slaves.

1915 — Women's suffrage is introduced in Denmark.

1945 — Allied Control Commission assumes control throughout Germany, which is divided into four occupation zones.

1965 — U.S. State Department acknowledges publicly for first time that U.S. ground forces in South Vietnam are engaging in combat in defense of key installations.

1967 — Six-day Israeli-Arab war begins; cease-fire efforts are stalled in the United Nations.

1968 — U.S. Senator Robert F. Kennedy is shot and mortally wounded in Los Angeles, California.

1975 — Suez Canal reopens to international shipping for first time since the 1967 Arab-Israeli war.

1977 — The United States says it will remove 6,000 ground troops from South Korea by end of 1978 as part of withdrawal of U.S. forces.

1981 — Polish Solidarity leader Lech Walesa draws ovation at gathering of International Labor Organization in Geneva, Switzerland, when he warns against foreign intervention in his country's labor crisis.

*T*hought for today:

We have two ears and only one tongue in order that we may hear more and speak less — a Greek philosopher.

## Where voters are wooed with animal gifts

place against a background of constantly shifting alliances.

The result of the election and the composition of the new government might not be known until parliament reconvenes, probably on August 2 and a majority of members take their places behind one leader.

The campaign has been dominated by the Deputy Prime Minister Iambakey Okuk, leader of the National Party, and Michael Somare, still regarded by many as the "father of the nation." Somare, leader of the Pangu Party, was prime minister at the time of independence from Australia and won the first general election in 1971.

He was overthrown in a stock parliamentary vote of no-confidence in 1980 by Sir Julius Chan, a suave, part-Chinese businessman who is now prime minister at the head of a coalition. Sir Julius leads the People's Progress Party but observers in Port Moresby say Okuk and Somare are the front runners.

Although few people would bet on the result of such an uncertain poll, the most consistent prediction is that Somare's Pangu will head a new government. There is resentment amongst some of the electorate that Somare was removed by a no-confidence motion and that the country has been ruled since by an administration not elected by popular vote. In addition Pangu has run a skillful and well-organized campaign exploiting Somare's popularity.

Somare is also likely to benefit electorally from the fact that since he fell from power the country has suffered badly from a slump in prices for its major exports of copper, gold, coffee, and cocoa combined with a heavy imported oil bill. Although he

# World environment remains bleak Birds, plants threatened with extinction, says UNEP

By Adlai J. Amor

MANILA (Depthnews) — Despite initiatives taken ten years ago, the overall state of the world environment has not improved. Instead, some aspects of the world environment continue to deteriorate faster. This is the conclusion of the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) in its landmark report, *The State of the World Environment, 1972-1982*.

The report, released in late May, focuses on the environmental changes that occurred in the decade following the 1972 United Nations Conference on the Human Environment held in Stockholm, Sweden.

The report says that air pollution has increased throughout the world. Smog is becoming more of a problem as the number of motor vehicles increases annually. The release of sulfur oxides — usually from steel and car manufacturing industries — has also been increasing. This has given rise to the problem of acid rain which has killed marine life in many of the world's rivers and lakes.

Deforestation continues unabated, at the rate of 11 million hectares annually. An additional 20 million hectares are also slowly becoming deserts, largely as a result of deforestation. Such widespread deforestation has endangered 1,000 species of birds and mammals and 10 percent of all flowering plants are also threatened with extinction.

Deforestation, along with an increase in fossil fuels (such as oil and coal), has increased the level of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. Although its effects are not completely understood, this could lead to an increase of the world's temperature (the so-called "Greenhouse Effect"), change the rainfall patterns and the distribution of snow and ice.

While forests are in grave danger, the UNEP says the open ocean — which covers three-fourths of the world's surface — is in no imminent danger. However, increased pollution from sewage and chemical sources in estuaries and along the coasts has affected the fishing industry.

Throughout the 1960s and the 1970s, world fishery yields increased, reaching 64 million tons of fish in 1979. But some fish stocks like the Peruvian anchoveta and the North Atlantic herring were depleted. "By

the end of the decade, however, there were hopes of recovery in several fish stocks as a result of tighter controls," the report said. It added that substantial increases in marine food production appeared possible, partly through the expansion of aquaculture especially in China and Southeast Asia.

In some parts of the world, water quality and access to potable water improved. However, UNEP says that there has been a worldwide increase in the numbers of people without access to safe water or sanitary facilities. Only 29 percent of the world's rural peoples have access to clean and safe water. In the expanding cities of the Third World, only 75 percent of the people have potable water. However, the 1970s decade saw a decrease in pollution of some major rivers and better flood forecasting methods. Irrigation practices were improved and governments began implementing their own water development programs.

The increase in the world's population has also adversely affected the world environment. Despite a decrease in the annual rate of population growth everywhere, except Africa, some 700 million more people were added to the total.

"The increase in the world population exerts considerable stress on the earth's limited resources," says UNEP. Many environmental problems have their roots in population growth and this is particularly true in regions where population growth is fast and natural resources are scarce.

The 1970s marked the mid-point in the gigantic transformation of cities and towns. About 41 percent of the world's population now live in cities and towns. There are now 38 cities, majority of which are in developing countries, with populations exceeding four million. In 1960, there were only 18 such cities.

Urban growth has been so fast that it has led to the deterioration of the environment. Governments have not been able to cope with the necessary increase in services such as housing and water. Neither have governments been able to sufficiently meet the food needs of the world, although food production has increased considerably. However, UNEP says that there may yet be some hope in increasing food production through the use of biotechnology and genetic engineering.



RICH DATE CROP: About 30 million square kilometers — or 19 percent of the land surface — are under threat of desertification, posing a serious danger to human environment, according to a U.N. study. World Environment Day is observed on June 5.

UNEP notes that there was "little improvement in the health of the vast populations inhabiting rural and shanty towns in many developing countries, where pollution in terms of microbial contamination is predominant." The prevalence of malaria, cholera, meningitis and dengue haemorrhagic fever increased during the 1970s. However, the incidence of such diseases as smallpox and filariasis was reduced. Smallpox was finally eradicated in 1980.

Many of these problems confronting the world's environment could be solved, UNEP says, if governments did not have to spend billions of dollars to buy military hardware and in waging wars. By 1980, global military expenditure was 30 times as great as it has been at the turn of the century — reaching as much as \$450 billion. And despite widespread condemnation of nuclear weapons as 469 nuclear devices were exploded in 1970-1980.

Despite these bleak pictures, three general features of the past decade stand out. First,

## Unchecked rural poverty worsens ecological crisis

By Manuel Cordovez

HONG KONG. (Depthnews) — Most people in developing countries live in rural areas, and development efforts so far have failed to reach them. The rural poor remain poor, and poverty often breeds environmental deterioration.

Says the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), "Many of the world's most severe environmental problems are in part a direct consequence of extreme poverty, and it is neither likely nor realistic to expect that impoverished people living at the margin of existence will consider the long-term sustainability of the planet at the cost of their own survival."

The rural poor must cultivate even marginal land, leading to soil erosion. They have to replant fields each year, rather than let the land lie fallow between years. Livestock must be grazed on land becoming barren from over-use. Soil erosion and water problems come when shrubs and trees are cut for fuel, while dung burned for fuel would be better used as fertilizer.

Ideas about the environment have radically changed in the past 10 years. Environmental problems can no longer be taken piecemeal. Experience has shown that isolated environmental programs tend to benefit the more educated and powerful; their adverse side effects fall on those who have no power base and those unable to effect the decisions which alter their lives.

For the first time, the United Nations system as a whole has made concrete environmental plans for the future. UNEP's program for 1984-89 was presented last May at its tenth session and will be finalized during the eleventh session in 1983. It will eventually become part of the UN medium-term plan.

The plans for the next decade deal mostly with problems already known. The approach will be different, however. Problems are increasing and becoming larger, and relationships between different sets of problems are now better known. Environmental problems, for example, must be broadened. Redistribution and transfer of resources must be included, along with their more rational use. Appropriate technologies and population movements must also be considered as important issues.

In the next decade, there must be an accelerated work to put appropriate and environmentally-sound technologies into practice. There is also a need to develop

technologies which produce no, or very little, waste. On the other hand, new development styles will require the active participation of the people whose lives will be affected.

By 1990, world population is expected to reach 5.3 billion. The proportion of living in developing countries will rise from 72 percent in 1975 to 75 percent in 1990. To cope with the changes in the environment, new attitudes will have to emerge.

"Major structural changes may be required, including resource transfers between nations to promote a more equal sharing, development of alternative lifestyles, and fundamental shifts in international economic relations," says UNEP. A major goal in the next decade is to develop under-used natural resources. Many countries, for instance, are rich in hydropower but are not using it because of lack of money, lack of technology, or both.

Food production is one of the critical resources. Production must be doubled by the year 2000, although the World Bank reports that the number of malnourished people is likely to increase from 400-600 million in the mid-'70s to about 1.3 billion by the year 2000.

Most good land is already being used. The number of land currently supporting people — 2.6 people per hectare — must be increased. Most strategies rely on the use of energy-intensive fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides and irrigation. Studies are needed urgently on the effects of rising oil prices on agricultural production. Land already in use is likely to suffer increasingly from loss of soil, deterioration of soil structure, loss of organic matter and build-up of toxic chemicals and salts.

By 1990, the total area of irrigated land is expected to increase to 273 million hectares — a severe stress on water resources. Shared water resources, such as the 148 river basins shared by two or more countries, may become a source of conflict, and guidelines for international use of these resources are essential.

Increased use of nitrate fertilizers could lead to higher levels of nitrous oxides in the atmosphere. This might damage the ozone layer, affecting human health. UNEP says difficult choices may have to be made between increased food production and damage to the ozone layer.

Several problems are likely to arise from increased energy use in the next decade.

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# Welding robots becoming accepted, numbers could double each year

By Susan Saportas  
Houston Bureau

**HOUSTON** — There's a welder on a crossmember assembly line in an automobile plant in Dearborn, Mich., that is quite an unusual employee. He never complains about the long hours, tedious assignments, arc glare or noxious fumes and is three to four times more productive than his co-workers. His counterparts have found their way to Houston seeking arc welding positions as well.

Uniquely, all of these welders goes by the same name — A30A, and each of them is a robot. A \$360 million (\$1.2 billion) a year welding and welding products firm with world headquarters in Gothenburg, Sweden, ESAB introduced arc welding in the mid-1970s and was the first company to offer the industrial world a complete robot welding station, which includes the robot, welding equipment and handling unit.

ASEA, a large Swedish industrial company, developed the welding robot and owns 50 percent controlling interest in ESAB.

Since 1975, ESAB has sold more than 50 robot welding systems in the United States and more than 400 worldwide. In fact, estimates show every second robot welding system in the world is an A30A.

Fred Weissbach, regional sales manager for the firm's Robotic Welding Division in Houston, said that he has predicted sales for ESAB will double every year for the next four or five years.

As robots are incorporated more and more into the workforce, some traditionalists believe that this influx of robots will send many humans to the unemployment line. Weissbach, though, insists this is not true.

The idea, he comments, is to replace a lone welder with a team — consisting of a human operator and a robot. "A robot works about two-and-a-half to three times faster than a human and displaces three or four people who are usually then assigned to other support areas. The robot is actually doing the jobs that no one wants," Weissbach said.

The A30A uses a continuous-feed wire rod and is protected from oxygen that can make the workpiece "bubble" by an inert gas. In the welding trade, this is known as the MIG technique.

ESAB's high capacity robot production is based on the robot's rapid and precise movements. A30A's parts are analogous to a human's shoulder, elbow and wrist to permit the necessary movements.

Attached to the robot is the handling unit — an integral part of the welding system. While the robot welds on one end, the

operator is behind the unit's protective screen clamping the next workpiece to the fixture on his side, allowing a safer working environment.

The entire welding program is stored on a tape cassette, which permits fast changeover from one welding job to the next. Program loss due to power failure is also eliminated.

The brain of the installation — the control cabinet — houses the removable programming unit.

Total cost of the robot system is about \$150,000 but, comments Weissbach, considering the robot's productivity, quality welds and tireless effort, the cost per unit welded by one robot plus one operator, is lower. Combining productivity and efficiency, Weissbach adds, the total investment pays for itself within a few years.

Claims that Japan actually initiated the use of robots were dispelled by Weissbach, who said their use actually began in the United States in the early 1960s. "The oldest manufacturer of robots is located in Danbury, Conn."

"The Japanese are good at copying designs and they now even have some units similar to the A30A. But we have some patents on this that will keep them from copying our design exactly," Weissbach commented.



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## Electrical painkiller replaces drugs

By Jeannette Garrett  
Houston Bureau

**HOUSTON** — Its proponents claim that the small electrical device zaps away pain. Many of the patients who used the transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulator, or TENS for short, see it as a welcome alternative to painkilling drugs that can be habit forming or cause side effects.

Featured on a recent segment of the nationally syndicated U.S. television program "P.M. Magazine," TENS represents the latest technology in using electricity to control pain.

Libby Burns, interviewed for the program in Nashville, Tennessee, where she works as a patient liaison at St. Thomas Hospital, said she owes her speedy recovery from an abdominal hysterectomy to the TENS unit.

"It's just a tingling, pulsating sensation," said Burns of the unit's electrical current. "I wouldn't say it (the pain) went away, but it was milder, where you could tolerate it."

Thomas Taylor, a patient at St. Thomas, said that he has had a pain-free and medication-free recovery from surgery to remove a ruptured disc, thanks to the TENS unit.

Confined to the hospital numerous times before back trouble, Taylor once used pain pills, but said he hopes he never has to again. "When you're taking a lot of painkillers or drugs, you don't feel good," he said. "Your friends come by, you don't even feel

like talking to them. Someone calls you on the phone, and you wonder what you said after you hung up."

A young woman who used the TENS unit when giving birth to her first child said doctors attached four electrodes to her back and "it worked real well for me. I didn't have to use any medication." She felt better about using the electrical unit than medication.

**Graphic artists work on television**

**LONDON** (LPS) — A further high technology tool is being added to London's already highly developed graphics production facilities with new sales of Flair video graphics systems. Logica is to supply Benedict-Lindland and CAL Video, both television facility companies, with Flair. Originally developed by the BBC, Flair has been further enhanced and manufactured by Logica under license to the BBC.

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because medication affects the baby, she said.

There are a variety of TENS units on the market, but most do just about the same thing and work nearly alike. The patient places a small amount of electrode gel on the painful area of his body, then attaches electrodes to the area. The current transferred through the electrodes can be adjusted to fit the degree of pain.

According to Dr. Ray Hester, the neurosurgeon who introduced the TENS unit in Nashville several years ago, TENS is a prescription device and each patient should be instructed individually to get the best results.

"At least 90 percent of my immediate post-operative patients no longer have to take narcotics afterward," Hester told the television reporter. "TENS relieves enough of their pain that they can get by with a Tylenol or aspirin or Darvon."

Hester did point out that the TENS unit is not a cure-all. "It doesn't cure all kinds of pain," he said. "It works better for acute pain, like right after an operation than it does for chronic pain, like with arthritis or chronic back trouble. But even in those cases, it works sometimes."

Is it a miracle painkiller, asked the reporter.

"If you're hurting and the pain stops, for you that's a miracle," said Hester. "If you try it and the pain doesn't stop, then for you, it's a bunch of mumbo-jumbo."

### ARE TRIGLYCERIDES IMPORTANT IN CORONARY DISEASE?



By Peter J.

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#### MEDICALETTERS

(Replies to and from readers):

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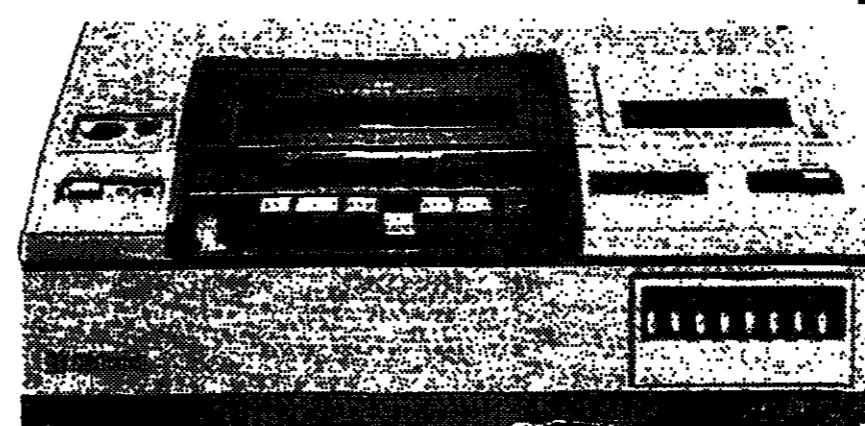
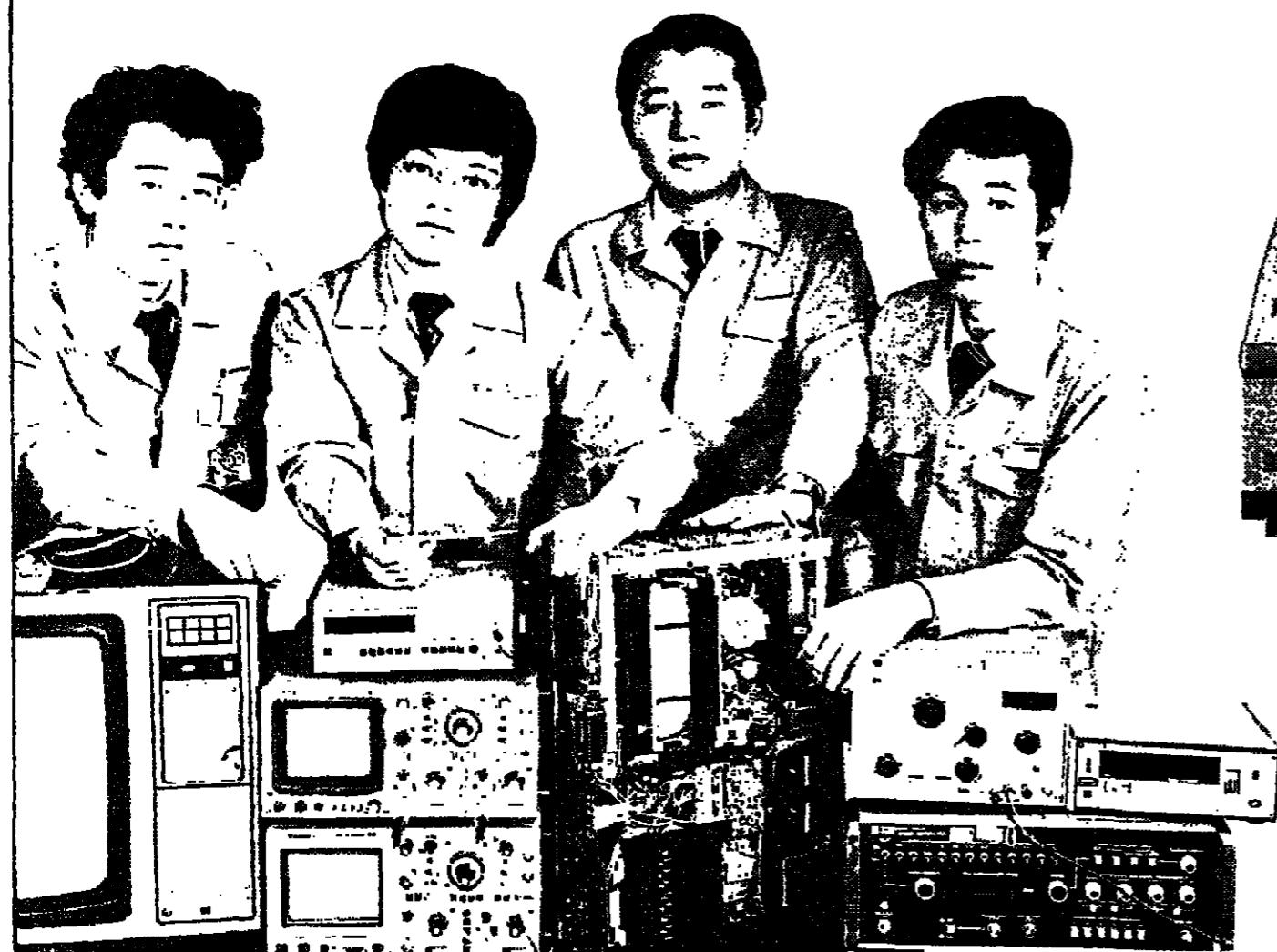
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**Dear Dr. Steinrohn:** How important is low blood pressure? I am 28, feel fine and have no complaints whatever. My wife suggests that I take medicine to raise my pressure. Have you any suggestions? Thank you. — Mr. U.

**Dear Mr. U.:** Be thankful that your pressure is on the low side and that you are well. I don't know of any medicines that would raise your pressure. Even if I did, I would not suggest treatment. To dust off an old phrase: leave well enough alone.

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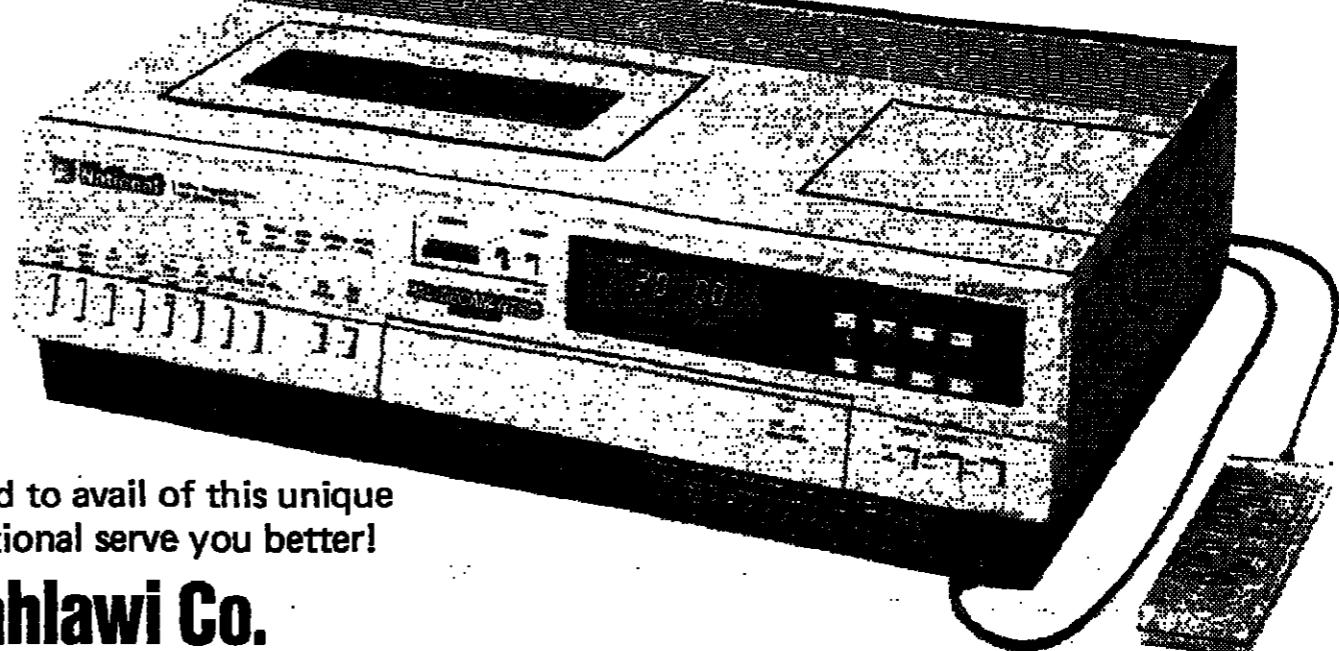
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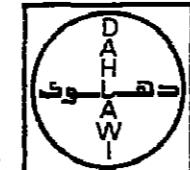
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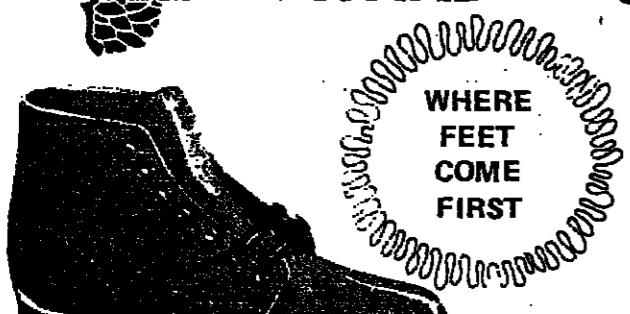
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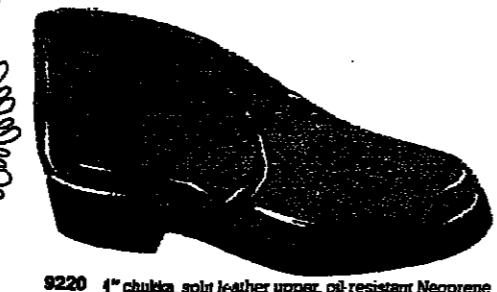
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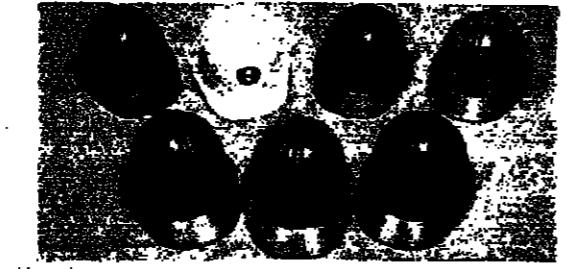
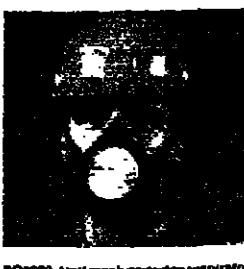
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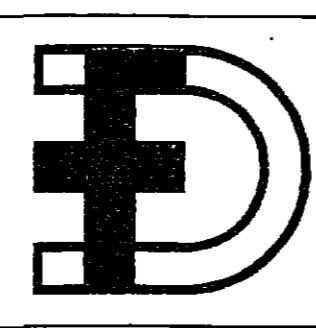
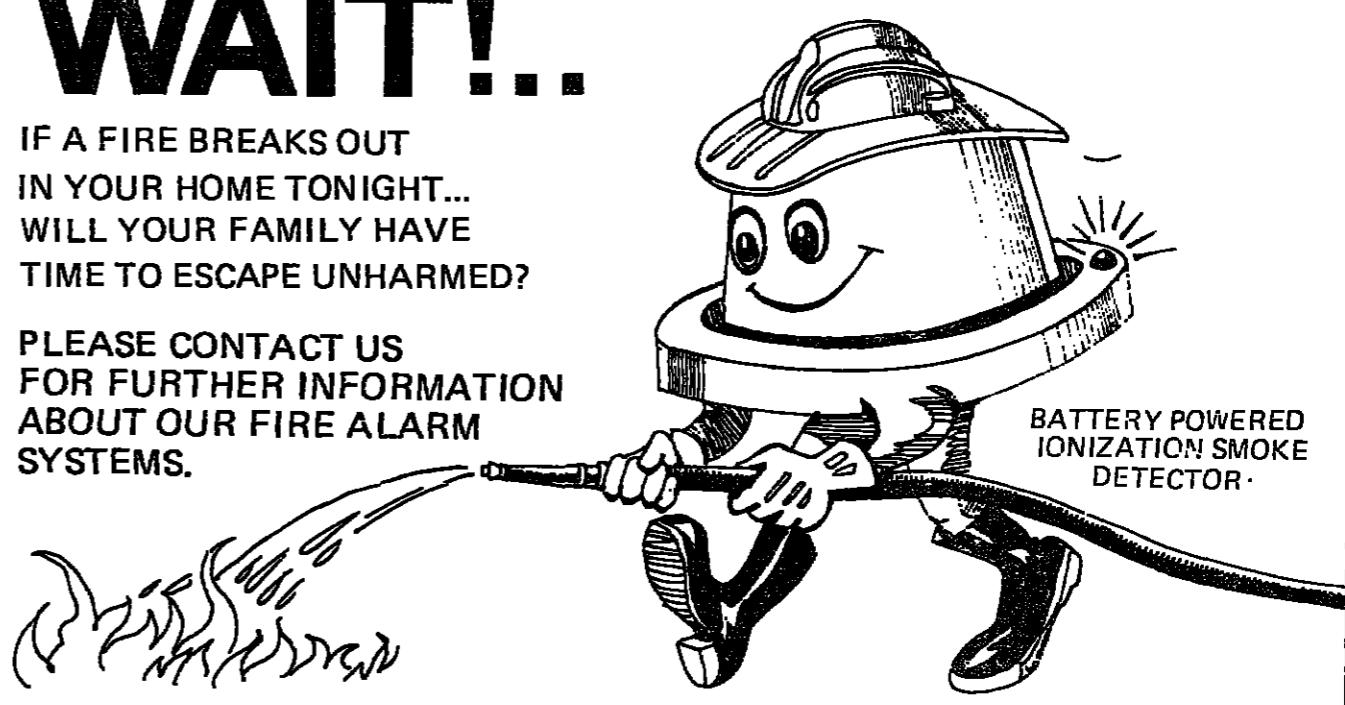
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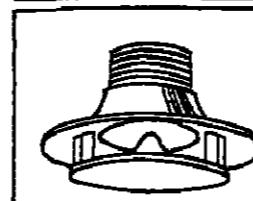
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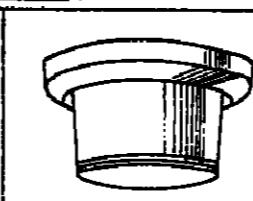
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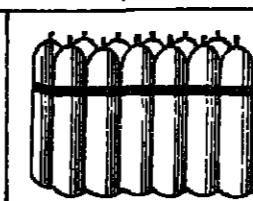
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**'Leads to false sense of security'**

## U.S. rejects plan for N-free zone

WASHINGTON, June 4 (AP) — The Reagan administration said that an international commission's plan to make Central Europe a zone free of nuclear and chemical weapons does nothing to reduce the numbers of the weapons and might lead to a "false sense of security."

The 17-member commission, headed by former Swedish Prime Minister Olaf Palme, proposed Tuesday a package of arms control proposals beginning with removing chemical and nuclear weapons from Central Europe. They called the arsenals a likely "trip wire" for igniting a nuclear conflict.

In a written statement, the State Department said Thursday that while it welcomed

the commission's efforts to advance the arms control process, the United States believes that arms control measures "must focus on the capabilities of weapons wherever they are located."

"Proposals for geographical deployment restrictions do nothing to constrain these capabilities and thus do not get at the essence of the control problem, which is the actual reduction of the numbers of weapons deployed," it said.

The department said a central flaw in the proposals is the possibility that withdrawn weapons could easily be reintroduced in times of tension. "A nuclear-free zone could thus contribute to a false sense of security

MOSCOW, June 4 (R) — The Communist Party daily *Pravda* has accused the United States of planning to use forthcoming Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START) to weaken Soviet bloc defenses. A hard-line *Pravda* editorial, published in advance by the official Tass news agency, said the United States seemed intent on persuading Moscow to "remove the shield that protects it and its friends."

The newspaper said President Ronald Reagan's proposals for strategic arms reduction, outlined in a speech in Illinois early last month, were one-sided and unacceptable.

"The United States intends to get an agreement...which would bring it unilateral advantages and inflict considerable damage to the defense capability of the USSR and all countries of the Socialist community," *Pravda* said. Washington and Moscow announced Monday that they had agreed to begin Strategic Arms Reduction Talks in Geneva June 29.

Reagan's Illinois speech suggested a one-third cut in strategic arsenals on each side and said no more than half their remaining warheads should be based on land. The Soviet intercontinental ballistic arsenal has a far greater proportion of land-based missiles than the U.S. force and some Western observers have suggested the plan would be too harsh for Moscow.

### Ex-generals cry halt to arms making

BONN, West Germany, June 4 (AP) — A group of 13 former NATO generals Friday demanded an immediate moratorium on the deployment and production of nuclear weapons in East and West as a first step to disarmament talks.

Members of the group, which includes former German Gen. Gert Bastian, a leading campaigner with the West German peace movement, retired Gen. Michael Harbottle of Britain and retired U.S. Adm. John Lee, presented their suggestions to reporters in Bonn.

instead of leading the way toward meaningful reductions," the department said.

"A nuclear ban limited to a narrow band of territory would be as difficult to verify as a reduction agreement that applied more broadly," the department said. "It would not be a more easily verifiable first step."

It said that for this and other reasons President Ronald Reagan has proposed in intermediate-range and strategic arms reduction talks, arms control measures "which are aimed from the beginning at militarily significant reductions."

The department said the commission's proposals on a chemical weapon-free zone in Europe "does not provide much detail and is difficult to evaluate." The broad outline of the proposal does appear to offer some of the "right elements" such as the declaration of existing stocks of chemical weapons, the verification, destruction and monitoring for compliance, the department said.

"However, it does not appear to call for a ban on possession and stockpiling," the department said, and thus "suffers from the same defect as the (proposed) nuclear-free zone."

"Weapons stockpiled outside the zone could easily be reintroduced into the zone if political conditions changed," it said. "We emphasize again our belief that arms control must concentrate on limiting capabilities, not simply defining agreed deployment areas."

The department said the commission offered nothing new on verification and monitoring, and added that it is on these two issues that previous efforts to control chemical weapons have run into the most difficulty.

It is not apparent the verification and compliance would become easier problems by restricting the zone of applicability to a smaller area such as Central Europe," the department's critique said.

The department contended that the Soviet Union and some of its allies already have violated existing agreements on chemical warfare. The critique said that such violations point out the need to address the problems of verifying that agreement are observed.

"For these reasons we believe that the arms control effort should continue to focus on achieving a total chemical weapons ban," the department said, adding that the United States is prepared to work toward that goal in the Geneva committee on disarmament.

Members of the Palme commission included former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance and Kremlin adviser and American expert, Georgi Arbatov. The commission called for a foreign ministers' meeting by the end of the year. It said that once land forces are in check, the East and West should negotiate reduced nuclear arms levels that would make unnecessary the planned deployment of U.S. Pershing II missiles and other medium-range nuclear weapons.

The generals thus demanded an immediate halt to all nuclear deployment and production as a step that would encourage disarmament.



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MISSISSIPPI BLAST: Workers from Plastifex Corp., in Gulfport, Mississippi, are treated at the scene of an explosion and fire that destroyed the firm. Three persons were killed and more than 60 injured in the Wednesday afternoon blast. The explosion touched off a fire at a neighboring chemical firm, Chemfax, which was heavily damaged. Toxic fumes which spread across a large area north of the site caused temporary evacuation of hundreds of homes and business establishments.

## Union leader 'tortured to death' in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, June 4 (Agencies) — White trade union leader Neil Aggett said in statement hours before he died in police custody in February that he had been assaulted and left bleeding by security police. South African newspapers reported here.

The statement, reported to have been dictated to a policewoman on Feb. 4, said security police had slapped, pinched and kicked him and given him electric shocks. It was published Thursday by both *The Rand Daily Mail* newspaper and the South African Press Association (SAPA).

The statement by Dr. Aggett, the first white to die in security police detention, is at the center of a legal dispute between lawyers representing the law and order minister, Louis le Grange, and lawyers for Dr. Aggett's family.

The Pretoria Supreme Court, asked on Wednesday to rule on the admissibility of the statement as evidence in the inquest on Dr. Aggett, has reserved judgment. The inquest which has been adjourned three times, is due to be resumed next Monday.

The statement said that on Jan. 4 this year Dr. Aggett was interrogated by security police at Johannesburg's John Vorster Square security police headquarters.

"I was interrogated by Lt. Whitehead and every time that he asked me a question and I denied it, he accused me of calling him a liar," the statement said. "Then this Schalk (a railway police security sergeant) would assault me... He... assaulted me with his fists by hitting me on the side of my temple and chest. He also kicked with his knee on the side of my

thigh."

The statement also said Dr. Aggett was given electric shocks on the night of Jan. 29 this year. "Lt. Whitehead blindfolded me with a towel. They made me sit down and handcuffed me behind my back," it said.

"I was shocked through the handcuffs. I don't know what they used to shock me. I was shocked a few times. I have a scratch on my left pulse (radial nerve) where I was injured whilst being handcuffed."

Dr. Aggett said in his statement he had told a visiting magistrate, one Weesels, on Jan. 18 that he had been assaulted by security police. He also said he had not been seen by a doctor.

Meanwhile, South Africa has commuted death sentences on three blacks, convicted of big treason, to life imprisonment, a senior court official said Thursday. The three men, convicted for their part in an attack on a rural police station, had appeals against sentence turned down by the appeal court earlier this year.

The sheriff of Transvaal province said in a statement that state president Marais Viljoen had commuted their sentences to life imprisonment. No reason for the decision was given.

In another development, several soldiers are to face trial over alleged atrocities against the local population in northern Namibia, an armed forces spokesman said in Pretoria Friday. Police in the South Africa-administered territory were investigating a shooting incident, and a case of assault had been turned over to the public prosecutor, the spokesman said.

## Namibia talks gaining 'new momentum'

WASHINGTON, June 4 (R) — The U.S. State Department said Thursday a series of meetings in Africa and Europe had provided new momentum in negotiations for the independence of Namibia (Southwest Africa).

The protracted negotiations had been deadlocked over the rejection by the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) of a complex election formula providing for both direct balloting and proportional representation.

But a recent flurry of talks with key parties in the dispute "have provided what we believe is important new momentum which we hope will carry the negotiations forward to an early and successful conclusion," spokesman Alan Romberg said.

The renewed optimism emerged as Secretary of State Alexander Haig's roving ambassador, Gen. Vernon Walters, carried out a series of talks with top officials of black African states. Officials said Walter's mission is taking him to Angola, whose aid to SWAPO guerrillas has made it the target of South African military incursions.

The United States has linked a Namibian settlement with the withdrawal of thousands of Cuban troops supporting the Marxist Angolan government. Romberg declined to discuss Walters' Angolan talks.

Walters' southern African mission also included talks with Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere, chairman of the black African "front-line states" backing SWAPO, and with top officials in Zambia.

Earlier this week the assistant secretary of state, Chester Crocker, the department's top expert on African affairs, and West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher met SWAPO leader Sam Nujoma in Bonn.

Nujoma said afterward he had rejected new Western ideas on elections put to him at the meeting. But he also said the five-nation contact group seeking a Namibia settlement would make combined proposals covering all issues instead of the phased talks they had previously conducted.

### New satellite launcher from space unveiled

KENT, Washington, June 4 (AP) — A new rocket motor that can be used to launch satellites carried into space by the space shuttle to higher orbits was unveiled Thursday by the Boeing Co.

While the space shuttle can go no higher than 700 miles, the new vehicle, dubbed the Inertial Upper Stage, can boost satellites from the shuttle's orbit into the higher orbits needed for communications, or send scientific packages to the planets.

The vehicle displayed Thursday at Boeing's Kent space center is scheduled to be launched in January from the space shuttle Challenger.

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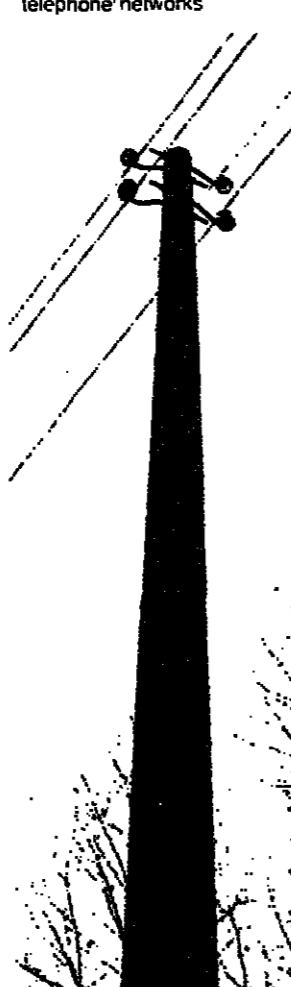
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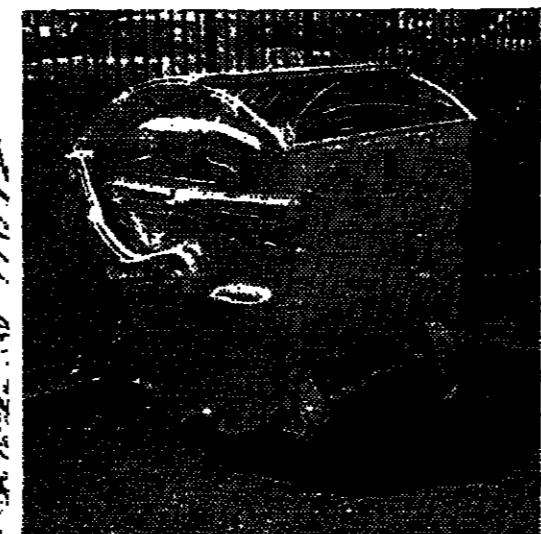
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*Marcos hopes 'war' will end*

# Mindanao provinces go to polls Monday

**MANILA, June 4 (AFP)** — The southern Philippines, scene of a 10-year-old Muslim movement, goes to the polls Monday to elect members of two regional assemblies with government hopes of patching up an age-old friction between Muslims and Christians.

About four million registered voters in 10 Mindanao provinces will choose two 17-member regional assemblies whose executive councils were recently merged at the behest of President Ferdinand Marcos.

Marcos' hope is that the ballot will eventually replace the bullet and bring an end to the war waged by the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) — which, along with a number of opposition parties, is expected to boycott the elections. The strike in the southern Philippines has claimed about 65,000 lives, though it has been less in evidence in the last two years.

Marcos contends that the MNLF has already lost whatever popular support it had in the southern Philippines largely because he has poured substantial funds into the 10 Mindanao provinces to improve the lot of Filipino Muslims.

The MNLF, at present shaken by leadership quarrels and dissensions, is nevertheless expected to boycott Monday's elections, as it did the April 17, 1977, regional referendum that set up the 10-province "autonomous" system with two "autonomous regions."

An "autonomous Muslim region" had been provided for by a Dec. 27, 1976, Tripoli accord signed by the MNLF and the Philippine government. Since then the two protagonists have been at loggerheads. The MNLF accused the government of betraying the agreement while the government accused the MNLF of bad faith in boycotting and rejecting the results of the 1977 referendum. What made the 1977 referendum unac-

## Volcano erupts in West Java

**JAKARTA, June 4 (AFP)** — The Galunggung volcano in West Java, about 150 kilometers west of here, erupted Friday for the second time in two days, emitting a hot, dark cloud and ashes which reached Jakarta. There were no immediate reports of deaths.

The mushroom-shaped black cloud was clearly seen from the nearby towns of Ciamis and Indihiyang, the Antara news agency reported. A rain of ashes fell over this capital city Friday covering cars and rooftops with grey dust.

Lava rolled down the slopes of the volcano to the Citarum and Cikunir Rivers, devastating plantations and rice fields, Antara said. Pebbles rained on parts of West Java's provincial capital, Bandung, forcing people to stay indoors, the agency added.

ceptable to the MNLF was that the Christians, who enjoy an overwhelming majority in the 10 provinces, voted for an "autonomous government" directed and controlled by the central government in Manila.

The MNLF had earlier sought an autonomous legal and school system, its own system of taxation, its own Muslim army, and Muslim leadership of the 10 provinces. The majority Christians voted this down.

Also organizing a boycott of Monday's elections is the United Nationalistic Democratic Opposition (UNDO), the umbrella group of 12 major opposition parties which has repeatedly denounced the southern polls as a farce.

But a "concerned citizens" group which is a member of UNDO under the leadership of Zamboanga City Mayor Cesar Climaco has broken away from the UNDO boycott by fielding candidates in two parts of the two autonomous regions. Political observers expected another landslide sweep by the government's New Society Movement (KBL) party and another electoral success for Marcos.

Actually, there were 13 — not 10 — southern Philippine provinces covered by the Tripoli agreement. But Marcos excluded Palawan, South Cotabato and Davao Del Sur from inclusion in the two autonomous regions.

## Hong Kong man hacks children

**HONG KONG, June 4 (R)** — Kindergarten children screamed in terror, cornered by a homicidal madman who hacked at them with knives and chisels in a stabbing rampage Thursday.

When the 29-year-old man had finished, two of the children, one only three years old, were dying. Thirty-two others were bleeding, and their schoolroom looked like a butcher's shop, eyewitnesses said.

But there were also two other dead — the former mental patient's mother and sister. He stabbed them on the 12th floor of a block of flats in this British colony. Then the man, not named by police, ran down to the sixth floor and stabbed two more women.

In all, he attacked seven passers-by before a policeman shot him in the arm and he was overpowered after leaving the kindergarten. He managed to stab a policeman in the stomach as well.

Police said Friday two of the 42 persons he hurt were in poor condition. The man, they added, had a history of mental illness.

**MANILA (AFP)** — The ceiling of a crowded movie theater collapsed here Friday killing at least two persons and injuring more than 160 others. The dead were a five-year-old girl and an unidentified young woman who were among the hundreds trapped when the theater's ceiling gave way. Police, who said overcome may have caused the accident, feared the death toll might increase.

**NASHVILLE, Tennessee (AP)** — The *Nashville Tennessean* newspaper said in a copyrighted story Friday that two of the four new owners of the United Press International were involved in civil protests in the 1960s. According to the paper, William Geissler was convicted in 1968 of resisting the military draft and served time in a federal prison and Douglas Ruhe, the new managing director of

## U.S.-trained soldiers attack Salvador leftists

**SAN SALVADOR, June 4 (AP)** — Some 1,000 crack Salvador troops only recently back from a special training course in the United States went into action for the first time this week in a major anti-insurgency operation against leftist guerrillas in the northern highlands bordering Honduras.

The armed forces have imposed a partial blackout and the operational area has been banned to journalists, but official reports said the troops have wiped out a number of guerrilla bases. The operation, launched last Monday, is the first big crackdown on the leftists since general elections two months ago put a right-wing coalition in control of the country's new Constituent Assembly.

Filtered reports here appeared to indicate that ground troops supported by aviation and artillery, were aiming to trap the guerrillas in a pincer movement and push them toward the border with Honduras — an ally of the Salvador government.

Inside the operational area is the November 5 Dam — one of the country's main hydroelectric stations and a prime

target of the guerrilla Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front. The guerrillas have already made several unsuccessful attempts to wreck the dam.

Military reports said there had been several clashes with the guerrillas during "mopping up" operations. "Several hundred" guerrillas were said to have fled toward Honduras. Other reports indicated however that the guerrillas, as they had done in the past, had evaded battle and pulled back as the troops advanced, putting up only scant resistance.

No other military operation on either side has been reported and the relative calm which has reigned since the elections is continuing. In San Salvador, the capital, life has practically returned to normal. Only a few piles of rubble and burnt-out buildings bear witness to past fighting.

Like in other Latin American countries, the contrast is vivid between the old cronies squatting by the wayside selling fruit or vegetables and the flashy Mercedes limousines gracing the garages in the nearby residences of the wealthy.

UPI was arrested twice for participating in civil rights demonstrations.

**WASHINGTON (R)** — Exposure of U.S. intelligence agents would become a crime under a bill passed by the U.S. House of Representatives Thursday. The bill was approved by a 315-32 vote and sent to the Senate for consideration. Any U.S. official who exposed secret information identifying agents would be subject to a \$50,000 fine and ten years in jail under the bill.

## Teacher leaves Peking for U.S.

**TOKYO, June 4 (Agencies)** — An American teacher expelled from Communist China for alleged spying left for the United States Friday, following a brief stopover in Tokyo.

Lisa Wiesner arrived here from Peking and left on a Pan American flight for San Francisco. She was detained by Chinese police for several days, including three in solitary confinement.

Before Peking, Miss Wiesner said she is still "a friend of the Chinese people." The 28-year-old teacher visibly upset after her release told journalists: "I am very happy to be released and I look forward to seeing my parents."

"I have always been a friend of China and I will continue to be a friend of the Chinese people," she said. Miss Wiesner was preparing a doctoral thesis on Chinese agriculture. Chinese authorities said that Miss Wiesner, an English teacher at a foreign language school in Peking, admitted her offense in her written confession and asked for forgiveness.

The New China News agency said that classified documents were found in her hotel room.

In recent months, the Chinese authorities have repeatedly warned the population against passing on "secrets" to foreigners. A Chinese journalist aged 64 was sentenced early this year for five years in prison for passing on to unspecified foreigners, probably journalists, information on the plenary session of the central committee of the Chinese Communist Party last June.

United States Embassy spokesman Mark Crocker told journalists in Peking he thought Miss Wiesner was innocent. "We are not certain of what she is supposed to be guilty of," he said.

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*At Versailles summit*

## Reagan won't impose policies on others

PARIS, June 4 (AFP) — French President Francois Mitterrand and U.S. President Ronald Reagan expressed their conviction here that the major industrial countries can solve the international economic crisis, and that they are going to work out such a solution during the Versailles summit meeting of industrial nations that begins Friday.

The two leaders, meeting for the second time during the day at a dinner hosted by Reagan, exchanged views on various issues.

Reagan indicated that he would not be trying at the Versailles meeting — grouping the leaders of the United States, France, Japan, West Germany, Britain, Italy and Canada — to impose his economic philosophy on his European partners.

In his dinner, he told the Europeans: "Although policies that you have chosen to deal with economic problems are not the same as ours, we recognize that they are directed to a common goal of a peaceful and more prosperous world."

He said that "we understand that other

nations may pursue different steps toward our common goal but we can still come together and work together for it. At Versailles, I believe we can and will do this ... we can, and will, resolve the problems confronting us."

Reagan recalled that U.S. interest rates were falling, and said "we believe that economic recovery is imminent" in the United States.

President Mitterrand, after stressing links between France and the United States, stressed the coherence that the seven summit participants should show.

He called on them to "advance in the right direction: Solidarity, coherence: justice and peace. But one cannot guarantee peace if, inside, we fight other battles among ourselves."

He expressed confidence in the ability of the seven to solve the economic problems. "Methods may be different within each country, but each must come together in the interest of joint actions."

### IMF halts aid to Romania

BUCHAREST, June 4. (R) — The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has postponed approval of new funds for Romania apparently because it wants more information on the true state of the economy. Western diplomats have said.

The diplomats said the IMF board was due to have met last Friday to approve a recommendation from the fund's technical committee to release over \$300 million, the second-year portion of a \$1.5 billion, three-year credit to Romania.

They said the board had postponed its meeting for two weeks. They believed it wanted more information from the secretive Romanians on the true state of the economy.

New economic information has recently been received from Bucharest by Western creditor banks and is being studied. The IMF agreed to the credit last June and released some \$400 million of it before halting payments in November when it became apparent that Romania was unwilling or unable to carry out economic reforms required under the package. Romania owes Western banks and governments \$10 to 12 billion.

Diplomatic sources here said the IMF froze further funds to Romania mainly because

### EEC unfolds \$184m plan to fight hunger

BRUSSELS, June 4 (R) — The Common Market launched a \$184 million plan to combat world hunger by helping food production and safeguarding rural development in developing countries.

The plan, put forward by the European Economic Community (EEC) Commission, would also give aid to some of the world's 4.5 million refugees. A commission spokesman said the plan was not just to give monetary assistance but aimed at helping poor countries develop rural areas and become self-sufficient in food. "This is not just a question of helping people to help themselves, but also of helping governments with price policies and crop projects," he told Reuters.

"It is not just money that these people need but education," he added. The spokesman said the plan had still to be agreed by finance ministers and the European Parliament and would take effect from this September.

To help refugees, the commission proposed giving aid to Pakistan to cope with about 2.2 million Afghans living in exile there, and also to South-East Asia, Central America and Angola.

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# Jobless in U.S. rise to 10.5m

WASHINGTON, June 4 (AP) — An unemployment business slump coupled with an influx of college graduates into a tight job market pushed the United States' unemployment rate up to 9.5 percent last month, eclipsing the post-war record set in April, the government reported Friday.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate climbed one-tenth of a percentage point from April to May as tens of thousands of college and university graduates entered the labor force searching for work, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said.

Altogether, 10.5 million Americans were out of work last month. Adult males, who traditionally constitute the bulk of the blue-collar workforce, were once again hard hit by the lingering recession. Joblessness among this segment of the labor force rose to 8.4 percent, shattering the post-World War II record set two months ago.

Since last July, some 2.7 million Americans have been thrown out of work by the deepening recession. The government can anticipate thousands passing out from schools and the resulting expansion of the labor force, as a normal seasonal employment variation. Thus the jobless figures can be adjusted to reflect that pattern so that it doesn't present a distorted picture of economic trends.

## Italy's trade gap widens

ROME, June 4 (R) — Italy's trade deficit rose to a provisional 1.316 billion lire in April from a 1.107 billion lire deficit in March, but was less than the 2.359 billion lire deficit in April last year, the National Statistics Institute, ISTAT, said.

The cumulative deficit for the first four months fell slightly to 6,966 billion lire from 7,244 billion lire in the same period of 1981.

In Ottawa, Statistics Canada said Friday that Canada's trade surplus rose to \$1.46 billion in April from an upward revised \$1.18 billion surplus in March and compared with a \$61 million surplus in April 1981.

April exports, seasonally adjusted, totaled \$7.15 billion against \$6.99 billion in March and \$6.98 billion in April last year. Imports totaled \$5.70 billion against \$5.82 billion in March and \$6.92 billion in April last year.

## To meet challenges Economic policy eludes Egypt

CAIRO, June 4 (APP) — Eight months after President Hosni Mubarak came to power, Egypt is still looking for an economic policy able to meet the numerous challenges facing its 44 million inhabitants.

Inheritor of a highly tense social situation, the new president indicated a desire to tackle the deep ailments sapping the Egyptian economy, following the assassination of President Anwar Sadat last Oct. 6.

According to several senior figures, he was convinced that the assassination was at least partially due to economic policy that pushed many young Egyptians into extremism disgusted by social injustice, corruption and the difficulties of daily existence.

To get a clearer picture, Mubarak set up an economic conference of 33 ministers, former ministers and economists, to make recommendations to the executive.

However, six months later, it has to be admitted that the Egyptians are still waiting for the change, though the conference issued its conclusions in mid-February. There are apparently fundamental differences about the remedies to be applied, between those favoring either continuity or reform.

Hilmi Mourad, the vice-president of the opposition Socialist Labor Party who was one of 33 persons at the conference, said: "Nothing has changed yet, because the same persons are in power."

President Mubarak, he added, was a newcomer to power and "surrounded by people who fear they stand to lose by change and are unwilling to alter their views."

The leftist opposition generally respects President Mubarak as a person, but sees him

as an isolated man. Ismail Sabri Abdullah of the Progressive Rally Party, also at the conference, said: "The head of state is a true patriot, accustomed to working with a team. But, paradoxically, to make an impact he needs to destroy those who brought him to power."

In reality the continuity-versus-reform controversy goes far beyond that of majority and opposition, and within the ruling National Democrat Party it is not unusual to find groups calling for in-depth reforms.

Whichever camp they belong to, the discussion centers on the validity or otherwise of the economic "opening" launched in 1974.

Dr. Abdul Geil Emari, who chaired the economic conference and Dr. Ali Geraity, an international expert, believe that all Egypt's economic ills can be explained by "a 30-year combination of factors from socialism and capitalism."

They are surprised as the public sector has been obliged to freeze prices and wages, while the "infitah" has left the private sector "to behave as it likes" in these areas.

Similarly they think it is imperative to end some of the subsidies and to increase wages. The subsidies, they recall, have increased enormously in the last 20 years, to 2,000 million pounds (about \$2 billion) in 1980.

But the "infitah" has its defenders too. A former deputy premier and economy minister, Dr. Abdul Aziz Hegazi, admits it has sometimes created a "climate favorable to business manipulation," but says it has furthered the competitive spirit, and should be continued in the interests of the economy.

## Venezuela cool to Argentine plea

CARACAS, June 4 (R) — Venezuela has no plans at present to deposit part of its overseas dollar holdings in Argentina, although it has received a request to do so from that country, a central bank spokesman said.

Venezuela's ambassador in Buenos Aires, Jorge Ager was reported last month to have said Venezuela would deposit \$1 billion in the Argentine Banco de la Nacion as an act of solidarity during the Falklands crisis.

Banking sources said the possibility of Venezuela depositing funds in Argentina had begun to affect its plans to raise a jumbo credit of \$2.5 billion, which is now likely to be considerably reduced.

European banks in particular were reluctant to lend, although there are legal restraints on the money being used for purposes other than refinancing Venezuela's short-term debt.

The sources said a planned meeting this week in Caracas between banks involved in the loan negotiations and the Venezuelan authorities has been put off until next week. At the meeting the banks were to have proposed terms for the Eurocredit but not all have

yet confirmed the size of their commitments to the loan.

The banks now aim to put together a package as near as possible to \$2 billion, but the sources said Venezuela has been affected by its support for Argentina in the Falklands dispute.

"There is no real problem with the big banks but we are having difficulty persuading some of the others, who are nowadays wary of lending anywhere in Latin America," one source said.

The central bank spokesman, asked to comment on reports that the terms of the credit are 3% percent over London Interbank Offered Rates, LIBOR, for a three-year tranche and 1 1/2 percent for a seven-year part, said it was premature to do so before the proposals had been presented. But he indicated they would be regarded as onerous by the Venezuelan authorities.

Venezuela's support for Argentina has to date been more verbal than material, banking sources said. Argentina's request to be put on the approved list for Venezuelan deposits about a year ago, well before the Falklands crisis occurred, and no decision had been taken, they noted.

During a trade mission to Caracas last month Banco de la Nacion officials repeated the request, but the list is reviewed only twice a year and the accounts of Argentine banks still need to be examined more carefully before taking any decision, the spokesman said.

Venezuela has, however, offered to supply about one million barrels of oil between now and the year-end on concessionary terms, energy and mines ministry officials said. They said Venezuela is awaiting a visit by Argentine oil officials to discuss final terms.

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## Britain's oil output tops 2m bpd mark

LONDON, June 4 (R) — Britain's rising North Sea oil output has topped two million barrels a day, placing the country firmly among the top seven in the current league of world producers.

Only the Soviet Union, the United States, Saudi Arabia and Mexico are at present producing much more than Britain, the only big Western industrial nation that exports crude oil. Communist China produces about as much as Britain. Official statistics just released show Britain averaged 2.07 million barrels daily in April, the first time it has topped two million barrels for a prolonged period.

"This is a notable milestone," Energy Secretary Nigel Lawson said Thursday night.

Oil company executives noted that North Sea development has been surprisingly rapid for a harsh, offshore zone where rigs must be built to withstand 100-foot (30-meter) waves. The first North Sea oil strike was made little more than a decade ago by British Petroleum in October 1970. The oil has thrust Britain's balance of payments firmly into the black with a current account surplus last year running at around eight billion sterling (\$14.5 billion).

## Democrats act on budget issue

WASHINGTON, June 4 (R) — The House of Representatives will be able to choose between President Ronald Reagan's budget and Democratic and Republican alternatives next week, speaker Thomas O'Neill said.

He told reporters he and Democratic leaders decided the procedure in hope of speeding up the budget process. Last week, the house rejected seven proposed budgets. He said the Democratic leaders agreed to recommend against Reagan's fiscal 1983 budget request and offer two substitutes, one Democratic and one Republican.

If neither the Republican nor the Democratic substitute prevail, then the house would vote on the Reagan budget itself, O'Neill said.

He said Thursday the Democratic budget plan would probably be more liberal than previous proposals. A vote on the budget is not expected before next Wednesday to give absent members time to return from the memorial day recess.

## French GDP drops

PARIS, June 4 (R) — French gross domestic product fell a provisional 0.1 percent in first quarter 1982 after a 0.3 percent rise in fourth quarter 1981, revised from a 1.4 percent rise, and compared with a 0.6 percent fall in first quarter 1981, the National Statistics Institute said.

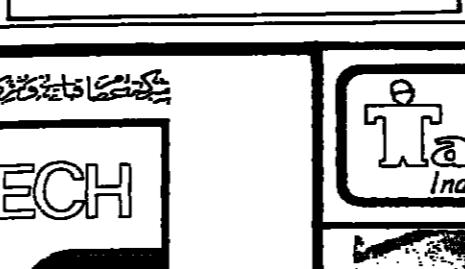
The fall in GDP resulted partly from a fall in exports since the end of 1981, the institute said. Exports fell 3.1 percent in the first quarter after a 2.1 percent fall in fourth quarter 1981.

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## Foreign Exchange Rates

|                         | Quoted at 6:00 p.m. Thursday  |              |
|-------------------------|---|--------------|
|                         | Cash  | Transfer     |
| Bahraini Dinar          | 9.13  | 9.11         |
| Bangladeshi Taka        | 16.10   | 16.00        |
| Belgian Franc (1,000)   | 76.80   | 76.00        |
| Canadian Dollar         | 276.00  | 276.00       |
| Danish Krone (100)      | 145.50  | 145.50       |
| Dutch Guilder (100)     | 131.50  | 131.20       |
| Egyptian Pound          | 3.40  | 3.63         |
| Emirati Dirham (100)    | 93.56   | 93.50        |
| French Franc (100)      | 56.00   | 55.60        |
| Greek Drachma (1,000)   | 52.50   | 53.40        |
| India Rupee (100)       | —   | 36.70        |
| Iranian Rial (100)      | 94.40   | 94.35        |
| Iraqi Dinar             | 26.60   | 26.20        |
| Italian Lira (10,000)   | 14.15   | 14.15        |
| Japanese Yen (1,000)    | 10.05   | 9.88         |
| Jordanian Dinar         | 12.00   | 11.95        |
| Kuwaiti Dinar           | 69.25   | 69.95        |
| Liberian Lira (100)     | 53.25   | 58.50        |
| Malaysian Ringgit (100) | —   | 29.20        |
| Pakistani Rupee (100)   | —   | 41.30        |
| Philippines Peso (100)  | 6.18  | 6.165        |
| Qatari Rial (100)       | 94.40   | 94.35        |
| Singapore Dollar (100)  | 163.50  | 163.50       |
| Spanish Peseta (1,000)  | 33.15   | 32.45        |
| Swiss Franc (100)       | 170.00  | 169.55       |
| Syrian Lira (100)       | 57.60   | 59.88        |
| U.S. Dollar             | 3.439   | 3.432        |
| Yemeni Rial (100)       | 75.00   | 75.10        |
|                         | Selling Price   | Buying Price |
| Gold kg.                | 35,600  | 32,400       |
| 10 Tolas bar            | 4,180   | 4,140        |
| Ounce                   | 1,170   | 1,090        |
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# Boxing officials face manslaughter charge

LONDON, June 4 (AFP) — News that three men have been accused of manslaughter following the death four years ago of the Italian middleweight Angelo Jacopucci, after a fight with Britain's Alan Minter, was received with amazement in British boxing circles here Thursday.

Minter won the fight, for the European middleweight title, by a twelfth round knockout.

Reports from Italy state that the referee,

## Pintorbatters Lee to keep WBC title

LOS ANGELES, June 4 (R) — Lupe Pintor of Mexico City retained his World Boxing Council (WBC) bantamweight title Thursday night when the referee stopped his fight against South Korea's Seung Hoon Lee in the 11th round.

Although showing signs of tiring in later rounds after a nine-month layoff, Pintor took Lee apart and battered him with several flurries until referee Rudy Jordan signalled it was all over at 2:14 of the 11th.

The champion landed several strong combinations in the third and fourth rounds.

Lee was in trouble against the ropes in the eighth round but he lasted until the bell. "He was a strong man, but the punishment he took was too much for him to last the whole fight," Pintor said.

The final round saw Pintor charge Lee into the ropes and take full command.

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Pintor, making his eighth title defence, improved his record to 47 wins (35 by knockout), four losses and a draw. He earned \$175,000. Lee's record is now 21-2-1, with seven knockouts. He collected \$35,000.

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American League  
Eastern Division

|           | W  | L  | Pct. | GB-BR |
|-----------|----|----|------|-------|
| Detroit   | 31 | 17 | .646 | -     |
| Boston    | 30 | 19 | .612 | 1 1/2 |
| New York  | 25 | 23 | .521 | 6     |
| Cleveland | 25 | 23 | .521 | 6     |
| Milwaukee | 24 | 24 | .500 | 7     |
| Baltimore | 23 | 25 | .479 | 8     |
| Toronto   | 23 | 27 | .460 | 9     |

Western Division

|             | W  | L  | Pct. | GB-BR  |
|-------------|----|----|------|--------|
| California  | 31 | 20 | .608 | -      |
| Chicago     | 28 | 20 | .573 | 1 1/2  |
| Kansas City | 27 | 21 | .553 | 2 1/2  |
| Oakland     | 25 | 28 | .481 | 6 1/2  |
| Seattle     | 25 | 28 | .472 | 7      |
| Minnesota   | 15 | 29 | .341 | 12 1/2 |
|             | 12 | 41 | .226 | 20     |

National League  
Eastern Division

|              | W  | L  | Pct. | GB-BR |
|--------------|----|----|------|-------|
| St. Louis    | 32 | 19 | .627 | -     |
| Philadelphia | 26 | 22 | .542 | 4 1/2 |
| New York     | 27 | 23 | .540 | 4 1/2 |
| Montreal     | 25 | 26 | .525 | 5     |
| Pittsburgh   | 21 | 27 | .438 | 9 1/2 |
| Chicago      | 21 | 30 | .412 | 11    |

Western Division

|               | W  | L  | Pct. | GB-BR |
|---------------|----|----|------|-------|
| Atlanta       | 29 | 20 | .592 | -     |
| San Diego     | 27 | 21 | .563 | 1 1/2 |
| Los Angeles   | 25 | 26 | .490 | 5     |
| Houston       | 22 | 26 | .447 | 7 1/2 |
| San Francisco | 22 | 30 | .423 | 9 1/2 |
| Cincinnati    | 20 | 29 | .408 | 9     |

Thursday's results

Toronto 3 New York 1  
Pittsburgh 5 Montreal 4

## IAL surprises Irregulars in Jeddah

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, June 4 — IAL continued their gallant run in the Jeddah Bridge (Summer) League. After surprising fancied Sangmed Country in the quarterfinals, they put an end to Irregulars' aspirations in the semifinals last weekend.

Irregulars, expected to walk away with the title with the exit of favorites Dundee in the quarterfinals, proved no match against a remarkably improved IAL team. IAL began

well and led 50-21 by the halfway mark. Though Irregulars tried to get back into the game, IAL did well to restrict them to 13-28 in the second half for an overall 12-8 victory point score.

Most of the match hands had small swings, but one 17-point swing occurred on the fourth hand where Irregulars bid for a vulnerable 6 NT, only to go four down. IAL's showing has been enhanced in the last four matches, though its performance in the league encounters were unimpressive.

## Bridge League

In the other semifinal, Saudi Blues recorded an emphatic 14-6 victory over the other surprise semifinalist Pak4 White. Saudi Blues began strongly and played steadily throughout, to register victories in both the halves for the final 14-6 triumph.

The 32-board final will now pit the improved and in-form IAL against the consistent and steadier Saudi Blues, in what promises to be an interesting final. Each team has so far lost only one match in the Summer League.

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Meets Vilas in final

## Sporting Wilander scalps Clerc

PARIS, June 4 (AFP) — Sweden's 17-year-old Mats Wilander became the youngest player ever to reach the final of the French Open Tennis Championship when he defeated Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina 7-5, 6-2, 1-6, 7-5 on the sun-drenched Roland Garros center court here Friday afternoon.

And such was the Scandinavian player's sense of fair play that he agreed to replay the final point — despite the fact that the umpire had just awarded him the match. The previous youngest player to make the final was another Swede, Bjorn Borg, who first won here in 1974 as an 18-year-old.

There was high drama in the fourth set, in which Clerc hauled himself back from set

### McEnroe sweats for victory

MANCHESTER, June 4 (AFP) — As expected, John McEnroe reached the final of the Manchester Grass Court Tennis Championships here Friday.

But the Wimbledon champion was given a healthy workout by John Alexander of Australia, the No. 3, and it took him 140 minutes to reserve his place in the final, eventually winning in straight sets, 6-3, 7-6. He now awaits the winner of the other semifinal between John Sadri and Russel Simpson of New Zealand.

Meanwhile, Britain's Buster Mottram walked out of his second round doubles match after a row with the umpire during the *Kensington Times* grass Court Tennis Tournament of Beckenham, Thursday.

Trouble flared when Mottram and his 19-year-old Australian partner, Craig Miller, were leading South Africa's Christo Van Rensburg and Tian Viljoen by a set, 3-4 and 0-30 in a second round match.

At that point, lob soared over Miller's head and while the umpire saw the ball as good, all four players decided it was out. Despite their protests, the umpire would

point and 1-5 down to level at 5-5 before going out in the twelfth game.

At 30-40, in the 12th, Clerc appeared to blast the ball wide and the umpire, tournament referee Dorfmann, and the line-judge agreed the ball was out, and, with Clerc arguing bitterly, Dorfmann announced "game, set and match" to the Swede.

Wilander, who has exhibited such calm maturity on court throughout the championship, walked slowly up to the umpire, who had not left his seat and said simply: "No. I don't want to win that way. Please play two balls."

After the match Dorfmann said: "I have never seen a player act like that at such a

critical moment in a match. The lineman and I both were sure Clerc's ball was out but since both players agreed to replay the point I got back in the chair."

While with anger, the 23-year-old South American, seeded fourth in the championships, replayed the point, netted a backhand and stalked off the court. He refused to speak to the press — a move which will cost him an automatic \$500 fine — or officials and was hustled into a waiting car which roared away from the stadium.

Referring to the line-call incident, Wilander, who has been unwell with a cold over the last 24 hours, said: "He seemed to hit a winner. So I asked the umpire to let him replay the point."

The blue-eyed Swede, who just smiles inscrutably and shrugs his shoulders when he is compared to his famous compatriot, said: "Of course I never thought I could get this far in the tournament when I arrived in Paris last week. But I don't feel any pressure."

"I played a lot to his backhand, like I did against Lendl. He played well in the third set and I lost a big chance after breaking his opening service game but I think after a while Clerc didn't know what to do."

Former champion Guillermo Vilas of Argentina will play the 17-year-old Mats Wilander for the men's singles title. Vilas, who has not conceded a set since the tournament began notched up an impressive 6-1, 6-3, 7-6 victory over bearded Spaniard Jose Higueras.

The South American left-hander, who won the title here in 1977 and who also appeared in the 1975 and 1978 finals against Bjorn Borg, gave another awesome exhibition of his relentless baseline accuracy and kept Higueras under constant pressure with his heavy lift and slice.

Wilander slapped back a brave but finally futile third-set effort by his 29-year-old opponent by coming back to win six points in a row to snatch the tiebreaker 7-3. In all the match lasted two hours 50 minutes.

Asked about Clerc's recovery in the fourth set, Wilander said: "I thought he would win the set. Then I would have to play a really tough fifth set. Among the crowd Friday was Wilander's two brothers — Anders, 27, and Ingemar 24. They had driven non-stop from Vaxjo after Wilander's defeat of Gerulaitis in the quarterfinals.

Wilander's unspectacular but lethally effective baseline game was punctuated by some glimpses of his best strokes. The best, Friday, was a double-fisted backhand down the line and a topspin lob. His style and cool display on the court has led the press to dub him the new Bjorn Borg. Wilander, however, reacted to this strongly.

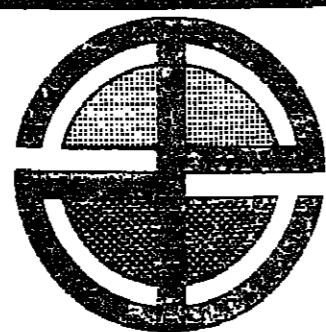
"You really mustn't call me that. I have my own style and Borg is in another class altogether. He is the best player in the world ever."

Gower and Lamb then played steadily through to the break before forcing the pace. The fluent Gower made 76 before being caught at mid-off by Dilip Vengsarkar off the bowling of Yashpal Sharma.

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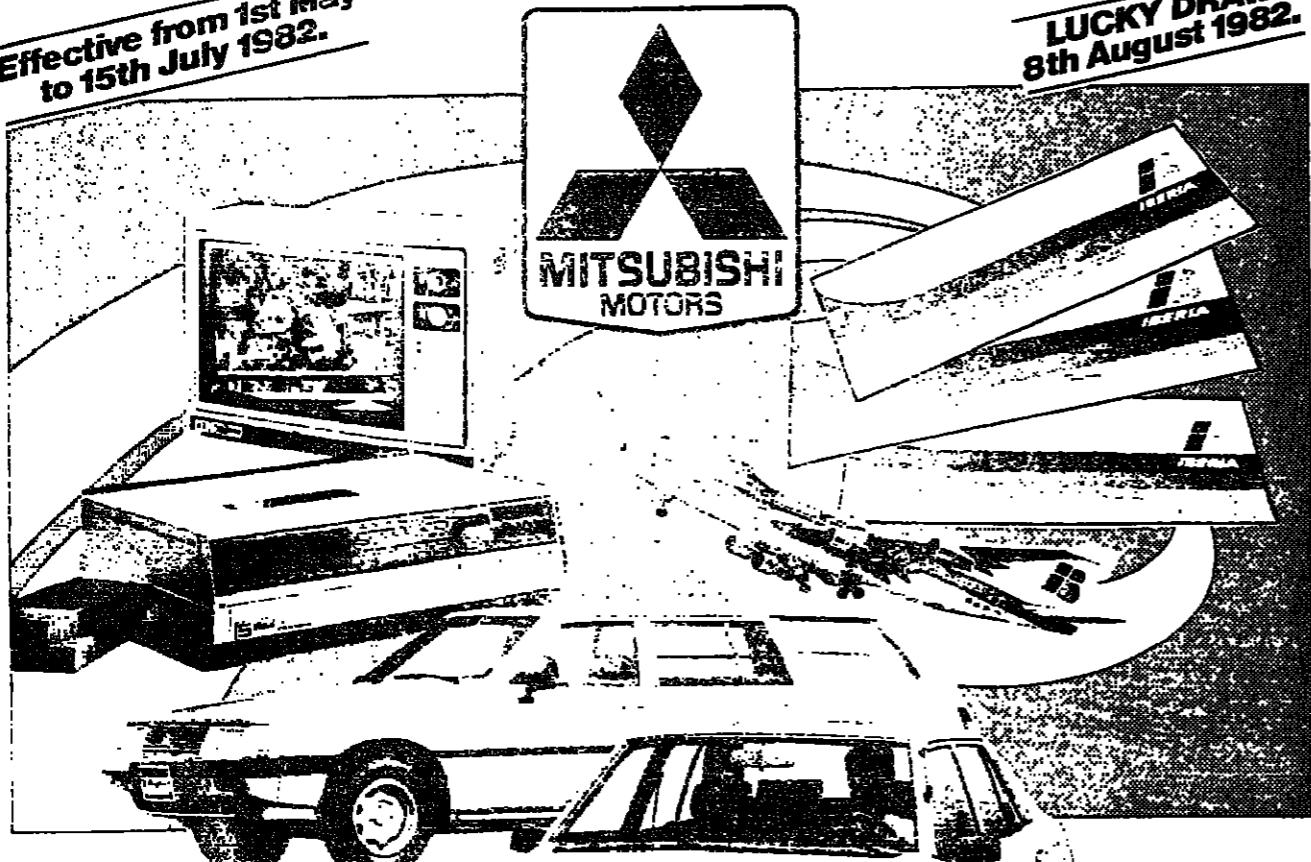
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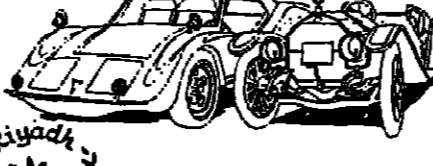
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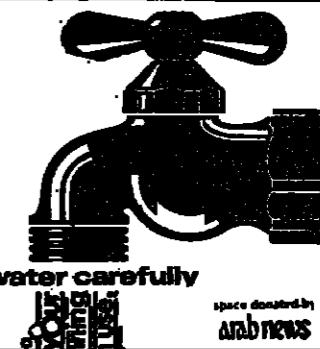
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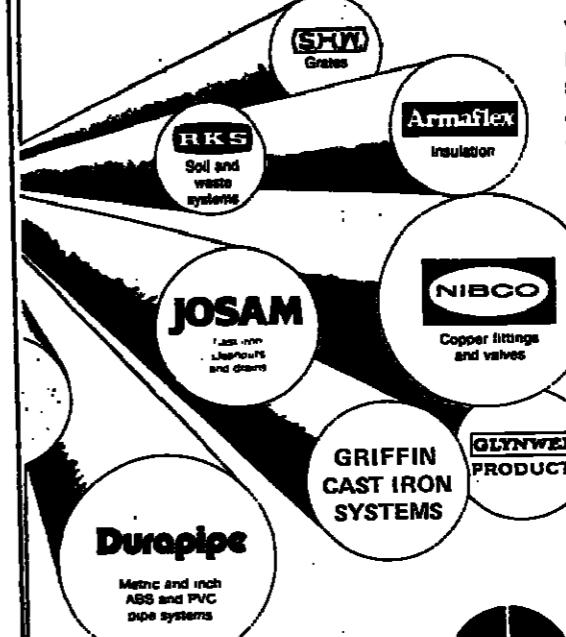
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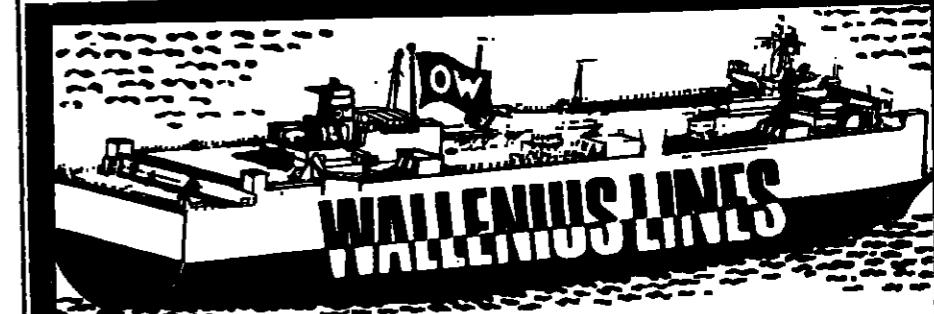
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